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FRESH QUAKES AT NAPIER.

PANIC GROWS: GRAPHIC DISASTER STORIES.

DEATH-ROLL OFFICIALLY PLACED AT OVER A THOUSAND!

REEKING MASS OF RUINS.

THE EARTHQUAKE upheaval at Napier defies description, the town having been converted into a reeking ruin, which is to be abandoned. The harbour-bed has risen eighteen feet! A hundred feet have been added to the foreshore. The death-roll, it is feared, is extremely heavy, but defeat attempts at estimation for the present, though some hundreds of the injured are in a critical condition.

Hastings appears to have suffered equally severely. Vivid stories of individual experiences are coming to hand, together with details of some appalling tragedies. The Dean of Brocklehurst was badly injured when St. John's Cathedral was further damaged beyond repair, the building crashing upon a number of communicants.

The latest message states that earth tremors have recommenced in the Napier region, further damaging buildings, and increasing the prevailing alarm. Red Cross officials now estimate the total death-roll as considerably over a thousand.

SHOP-GIRL'S TERRIBLE END.

Wellington, Feb. 4.
A special despatch from Napier describes it as a town wiped from the map.

The town is now a reeking mass of ruin. There is not a single building standing in the centre of the city. The streets have been torn up in a manner beyond description.

Bluff Hill, Hospital Hill, and other heights behind the town, crashed down upon buildings, burying them completely, and the sea-line has receded perhaps a hundred feet from the Marine Parade.

Residents say that the earth movement at the time of the worst shocks was almost vertical, the ground suddenly subsiding with a sickening jolt.

A despatch from Hastings, twenty miles away, reveals that, at the time of the disturbance, the town was full of shoppers who were caught like rats in traps.

Deafening Roar.

Buildings crumbled with a deafening roar, crushing staff and customers.

The first thing a constable rushing from the police station saw was a young girl sitting near the road, with her legs severed below the knees. Men, women and children were screaming beneath the ruins, and although the people who escaped tore frantically at the ruins, nothing could be done as the victims were soon swallowed up by flames.

Doctors worked under most trying conditions, operating upon many people without anaesthetics. One doctor was seen early in the morning, his coat soaked with blood, hacking his way into a chemist's shop to secure supplies.

Mr. Weston, the managing director of Weston Brothers, Limited, of Christchurch, describes the horror of the collapse of a shop at Hastings, in which he had just completed some business.

"A young girl assistant rushed into my arms, I endeavoured to pacify her, remarking that it would be all over in a second, but then came the big crash. A steel pillar fell across the girl's body, crushing her alongside the counter. She pleaded to be released, but the pillar held her like a vice. In a moment her life had gone. I realised that I had escaped death by inches. I

managed to crawl through the debris into the street."

Everywhere, says Mr. Weston, there were poor souls in panic, and terror-stricken appeals for help coming from every side.

Appalling Sight.

In what was once a hot department, a man was seen desperately fighting for his life. Help was out of the question. In one corner a fire broke out, but an appeal for buckets brought little response from the panic-stricken people. It was an appalling sight. The fire-engines were pinned inside their station, and as the watermain had burst, little could be done anyhow.

Heavy Death-roll Feared.

A later message from Napier states that the killed include at least seven nurses, and probably forty students at the Napier Technical School, who were in the building when it collapsed.

The Dean of Brocklehurst was conducting Communion Service at St. John's Cathedral when the building crumbled and buried the communicants. The Dean was gravely injured.

It is still impossible to estimate the death-roll, but the condition of several hundreds among over a thousand receiving medical attention is reported to be critical or serious.

Hitherto fifty-seven bodies have been identified.

Armed Marines on Patrol.
Armed Marines from the cruisers Dunedin and Diomedes are patrolling the town, and naval parties are distributing food-stuffs.

The complete disorganisation of normal communications with the area of North Island, New Zealand, devastated by the disastrous earthquake, renders it impossible to give a reliable estimate of loss of life involved. It will probably be some days before the search for the missing among the debris of the falls in buildings is completed, and meanwhile extravagant figures should be treated with reserve.

One of the immediate effects of the disaster was a breakdown of the sewerage system and the authorities, fearing an outbreak of disease, issued a general order to-night, decreeing the evacuation of Napier within two days.

Lord Bledisloe's Despatch.
A telegram received in London this morning by the Secretary for

CHEATS THE GALLOWS.

DERVISH'S DARING ESCAPE.

SMYRNA HANGING.

Constantinople, Feb. 4.
An exciting and successful attempt to cheat the gallows has just been revealed in connexion with the executions at Menemen yesterday, when twenty-eight dervishes, hodjas, sheikhs and others were taken out to be hanged in different parts of the village while all the villagers were confined to their homes by curfew.

The escape, which seemed almost impossible, was made by a dervish named Hussein, who escaped from the hands of his kipsy hangman, dashed through a cordon of astonished troops, and ran the gauntlet of an outburst of firing.

Vigorous searches have been made for the fugitive but he has not yet been recaptured.

Eye-witnesses of the hangings pay a tribute to the outstanding courage of the only non-Muslim condemned, a Jew named Junkman

BROPHY RESUMES FLIGHT.

Hops Off From Foochow
for Canton.

TO MANILA LATER.

Foochow, Feb. 5.
After tuning up his machine after his recent forced landing, Mr. G. W. Brophy hopped off for Canton at 9.15 a.m. to-day. On arriving at Canton, he will fly to Manila, in connexion with the plans for inaugurating an air service between Shanghai and the Philippines.—*Reuter.*

Hains. He adjusted the noose round his neck himself.
Another villager who was hanged left his entire fortune, the equivalent of £30,000 for the erection of a tiny mosque.—*Reuter.*

EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN.

SUFFRAGE BILL PRESENTED IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, Feb. 5.
The rapid advance made by the women's emancipation movement in Japan in recent years is shown by the Government's introduction of a Bill proposing to grant women equal franchise rights with men in elections for city, town and village autonomous assemblies, as a preliminary to the granting of national suffrage.

A similar Bill was introduced by private members in the last session. It passed the Lower House but was shelved by the Peers.

It is generally believed the Government Bill presented this morning will share the same fate, but growing interest in the question appears to indicate that women will be given at least a limited share in the governance of the country before long. The question affects over thirteen million women.—*Reuter.*

THE ANGLO-IRAK TREATY.

CORDIAL MESSAGES MARK RATIFICATION.

London, Feb. 4.
On the occasion of the exchange of ratification of the Anglo-Irak Treaty, messages have passed between King Feisal and King George and also between the Prime Minister of Irak and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

The King in his telegram to King Feisal says: "I share your hope that our two countries will be joined in an enduring bond of cordial friendship and prosperity."

WANG SHAO-HUNG DETENTION.

DENIAL BY NANKING GOVERNMENT.

CONFLICTING REPORTS MAKE POSITION OBSCURE.

CANTON MYSTERY.

Nanking, Feb. 4.
In view of conflicting reports concerning the alleged detention of General Wang Shao-hung by the Central Government, which is denied by the Nanking authorities, it would seem that the real position regarding the breakdown in the negotiations between Nanking and the Kwangsi Party will not be clarified for some time.

Since his arrival in Nanking General Wang Shao-hung has had two conferences with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and harmony had apparently been reached when news came that the Kwangsi Commanders at Nanning, Generals Li Chung-yen, Pei Chung-hsi and Chang Fat-kwai, had repudiated the authority of General Wang.

Troops Disarmed.

The Kwangsi Commanders, according to news reaching here, took action on Monday when they proceeded to disarm all forces belonging to General Wang.

News of this development and of the commanders' threat to form an independent Military Government at Nanning, in defiance of Nanking, naturally caused strong suspicions to be aroused here.

The position at the moment is not clear, but if the Government has maintained strict surveillance over the movements of General Wang, he is none the less able to express his opinions to Chinese newspaper correspondents who interviewed him this morning.

Diplomatic Means.

General Wang said the Nanking Government had not changed its intention of settling the military chaos in Kwangsi by diplomatic means, and in view of the prevailing rumours of political uncertainty at Nanning, the Government had decided to establish at the earliest possible moment a new Kwangsi Provincial Government and a Military Council to which will be entrusted the task of military rehabilitation.

General Wang added that he would leave Nanking together with General Chan Chai-long as soon as the Government had decided on the appointment of new officials for the Kwangsi regime.

The ex-Commissioner of Reconstruction in Kwangsi, General Wu Ting-yang, who is a close associate of General Wang, said that Nanning messages denied the reports of the disarming of General Wang's forces. General Wu said that the Kwangsi peace delegation could not leave Nanking until harmony had been reached with the Nanking authorities.

Canton Mystery.

Nanking, Feb. 4.
Government leaders officially deny the report of a coup d'etat at Canton on the 2nd instant.

Wang Shao-hung, the Kwangsi leader, states that he has been in daily communication by wireless with his colleagues in Nanning, and nothing has been mentioned, regarding the reported coup d'etat.

The report is probably due to a misunderstanding, because when he left for Nanking, preparations were being made to disarm the Communist troops under Gen. Li Ming-shui.—*Reuter.*

The report is mystifying. It would seem that something out of the ordinary has occurred in South China, which has caused a great deal of confusion.

PRINCESS MAKES PROGRESS.

CONDITION CONTINUES TO BE SATISFACTORY.

London, Feb. 4.
The following bulletin was issued at Kensington Palace this evening:—"Apart from weakness, which is to be expected at this stage of the illness, the condition of Princess Beatrice continues satisfactory."—*British Wireless.*

EUROPEAN DROWNED.

WALKED OFF PIER INTO SEA.

NOT IDENTIFIED.

An unknown European or foreigner committed suicide or was accidentally drowned this morning, walking into the Harbour from No. 5 Pier, at the Kowloon Godowns. The man is believed to have been under the influence of drink at the time of the incident, and there is at present no clue to his identity.

It would appear from a report made to the Police by Mr. R. Gosc, Fourth Officer of the Empress of Japan, which was lying at the Pier, that the man left the ship, walked to the end of the wharf and into the water.

Life-buoys were immediately thrown from the ship, but he appeared to ignore them, swimming out for a time and then disappearing beneath the surface.

Blasts blown by the Fourth Officer on a whistle summoned the No. 6 Police launch to the spot, and a search was carried out

GREYHOUND RACING IN SHANGHAI.

Council Adheres To Its
Decision.

TO STOP IN APRIL.

Shanghai, Feb. 5.
The Municipal Council to-day informed the Greyhound Racing Club (Luna Park) and the Shanghai Greyhound Club (Stadium), in reply to the Clubs' representations that the Council still adheres to its decision regarding the banning of greyhound racing.

Dog racing will therefore cease after March 31st.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

which was continued for nearly an hour without any trace of the missing man being found.

Later.
The mystery surrounding the man's identity and actions remained unsolved when the Empress of Japan pulled out from port at noon. Investigations have, however, revealed that he was not a passenger or member of the crew of the liner.

CIVIL AVIATION IN EAST.

WHAT GERMANY AND U. S. ARE DOING.

London, Feb. 4.
In the House of Commons, a questioner drew attention to the establishment of the German Berlin-Nanking air service and the attachment of an air expert to the United States Trade Commissioner's office in Shanghai. He asked what steps were being taken to advance British civil aviation in the Far East.

Mr. F. Montague, Under-Secretary for Air, said any proposals in this connexion would be sympathetically considered.—*Reuter.*

FRENCH ADMIRAL'S DEATH.

RESCUE OF 50 CHINESE RECALLED.

Paris, Feb. 4.
The death is announced of Vice-Admiral Gauchet, at the age of 74 years.

The deceased, commanded the Allied forces in the Mediterranean in 1916 and had an eventful career in the Far East in the nineties. As Commander of the gunboat Lion, he rescued fifty Chinese survivors of the British steamer Kowshing, which was sunk by a Japanese warship during the Sino-Japanese War.—*Reuter.*

TRAPPED IN FUSELAGE.

HONGKONG GOVT. DEFENDED.

SHARP RETORT TO LEAGUE OPIUM CRITIC.

1929 EXPORT FIGURES.

Genova, Feb. 4.
Sir Malcolm Delevingne, the British drug expert, was forced to come to the defence of Hongkong during the discussion at to-day's session of the Opium Committee of the League.

Mr. Lyall, who is the Chairman of the Permanent Opium Board, disputed figures which were before the Committee regarding the weight of opium imported in 1929 from Hongkong to India.

Sir Malcolm Delevingne sharply retorted that the Government of Hongkong was not in the habit of giving wrong figures.

In earlier discussion, the Committee passed a resolution to the effect that diluted drugs shall be considered as falling within the provisions of the Geneva Opium Convention, whatever the degree of concentration.

The Committee also passed a resolution that the League Council should urge governments to refuse import and export certificates to notorious traffickers in drugs.

Mr. Lyall drew attention to the excessive consumption of drugs in Kwangtung, the Japanese leased territory, and Baron Sato said his government recognised that the situation was unsatisfactory and would take steps to effect an improvement.—*Reuter.*

OUSTRIC BANK'S AFFAIRS.

NOW DECLARED TO BE BANKRUPT.

Paris, Feb. 4.
The Oustric Bank, which has hitherto benefited by the regime of so-called "Judicial Liquidation," was to-day declared bankrupt by the Tribunal of Commerce.

The Bank's liabilities cannot yet be estimated.

On November 20th, M. Albert Oustric, director of the Oustric Bank, former Toulouse waiter, and later the organiser of a gigantic footwear trust, who was charged with fraud and illicit operations on the Bourse, has been further charged, inter alia, with fictitious securities in connexion with the case pending against the famous financier, Rochette, who was sentenced to several years' imprisonment some years ago.

Four other persons were charged with Oustric in this matter.

The Rules Commission on the Chamber on the same day adopted the text of a motion in favour of a Parliamentary Commission to enquire into the Oustric affair.—*Reuter.*

FISHING TRAWLER GOES ASHORE.

TOWED OFF AFTER SEVERAL ATTEMPTS.

Arriving here on Monday morning, T. Matsui, master of the Karumo Maru, a fishing trawler, reported to the Harbour Office that the Mikura Maru No. 11, another fishing trawler, went aground at Hainan Straits.

The Karumo Maru stood by for a few days, and on January 27 and 28 she was engaged in trying to tow off the stranded boat. Many attempts were made to get the vessel off, and on the evening of the 28th, this was achieved. The Karumo Maru then returned to Hongkong.

ALPINE DISASTER RECALLED.

BODIES OF THREE VICTIMS DISCOVERED.

Brigue, Feb. 4.
After several hours' search, a party led by one of the surviving guides from the recent mountain disaster in which three British lady tourists lost their lives has succeeded in discovering the bodies of three of the victims. These were Mrs. Furnivall, Miss Gallows and one of the guides.

The body of Miss Furnivall has not yet been discovered.—*Reuter.*

NINE DEAD IN R.A.F. DISASTER.

HUGE CROWD SEES TRAGIC MISHAP.

PLYMOUTH MACHINE BREAKS IN TWO.

BIG PLANE SINKS.

London, Feb. 4.
Thousands of people along Plymouth Hoe and the waterfront witnessed the terrible accident in which nine officers and men of the Royal Air Force lost their lives to-day. There were three survivors, one of whom is suffering from serious injuries.

The machine involved was a large Blackburn Iris flyingboat of No. 209 Flying Boat Squadron, Mount Batten. It crashed and sank in Batten Bay, Plymouth Sound, those killed including the pilot of the machine, Wing Commander C. G. Tucker, Flying Officer F. K. Wood, who was rescued but died in hospital, and seven men.

Two other officers were rescued, injured, one of them seriously, and one Non-Commissioned Officer alone escaped uninjured.

Occupants Trapped.

The disaster occurred when the machine was about to alight and one report states that the course of the machine was suddenly altered to avoid a small boat, and that the flyingboat's tilting wing touched the water.

Motor-boats rushed to the scene and rescued survivors before the machine sank with the other occupants trapped in the fuselage.

Sunshine To Blame?

Later.
Divers at Plymouth Sound are searching for the bodies of the crew of the flyingboat, which was a huge type of aircraft, comprising sleeping quarters, cookery facilities, emergency wireless, and carrying a collapsible dinghy.

The remains of the machine are now lying on the bottom with its floats in the air and the cabin submerged.

The disaster, it is believed was due to the pilot mistaking the level of the water owing to the reflection of bright sunshine.

Broken in Half.

The plane struck the sea too soon, it was badly damaged, and sank rapidly, carrying Wing-Commander Tucker and seven men under, trapped in the cabin.

Four were rescued but Flying Officer Wood succumbed in hospital and another officer is in a critical condition.

Later.

Divers have located the crashed flyingboat broken in half.

The bodies of Wing-Commander Tucker and Aircraftman Rulledge have been recovered.

The forward portion of the flyingboat has been towed ashore. The after portion, in which it is believed the other bodies will be found, lies in deep water.

Unable To Flatten.

It is now believed that Wing-Commander Tucker was unable to flatten out his machine as it was about to land. He hit the sea at a speed of about seventy miles an hour. The bows went under and the back of the craft buckled.

The great machine was of all-metal construction and was one of the largest and fastest of its type, being equipped with three engines of 765 h.p. each. It had a speed at sea level of 124 miles an hour and a landing speed of 69 miles an hour.

Wing-Commander Tucker had completed an exercise and was returning when the crash occurred.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

The Royal Observatory reports that depressions are shown to the west of Nagasaki and over Tongking. An anticyclone has formed over North China. The monsoon will set in again along the S. E. Coast of China. The local forecast is:—South or east winds, moderate to generally cloudy, some drizzle or mist becoming cooler.

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**QUEEN'S THEATRE
ALTERATIONS.**

**STRONG THREAT BY THE
POLICE.**

Action against the Hongkong Amusements for having caused alterations to be made to the operating room at the Queen's Theatre without permission was taken by the Building Authority before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon when two summonses in respect of the unauthorised alterations were brought against the Secretary and the owner respectively.

Mr. C. S. Rossetti, as Secretary of Hongkong Amusements, was summoned for carrying out work or causing work to be carried out on the Queen's Theatre without the permission of the Building Authority, to wit, that he did erect or cause to be erected brick walls forming a rewinding room and he did cut or cause to be cut a hole in the floor of the room now used as the operating room.

There was also a summons against Mr. Ma Tsui-chiu, the registered owner of the Queen's Theatre, he being accused of allowing the work to be carried out.

Mr. L. E. Longbottom, Chief Draughtsman of the Public Works Department, appeared as the complainant while the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Inspector General of Police) and Mr. H. T. Brooks (Superintendent of the Fire Brigade) were also in Court.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong of Messrs. Deacons appeared for both Mr. Rossetti and Mr. Ma.

In reply to his Worship Mr. Armstrong entered a plea of guilty to a technical offence as far as the Company was concerned, that was on the summons against Mr. Rossetti; but he understood from Mr. Longbottom that the prosecution was not pressing the case against the owner.

Mr. Longbottom confirmed Mr. Armstrong's remark and his Worship dismissed the summons against the owner.

Alterations Explained.

In explaining the details of the alterations, Mr. Longbottom said that the Company had erected their operating room and a rewinding room in such positions that they constituted a grave danger to the safety of the public. The rewinding room was constructed in a lobby and was absolutely unventilated except for the door opening into the passage to which the public had access, this being the main means of egress from the upper circle.

Mr. Longbottom said the situation of the rooms made it dangerous in the event of fire in either of the rooms. Egress might be entirely stopped from the upper circle and there might also be a panic on the ground floor.

Owing to the seriousness of the alterations which were made, the authorities dispensed with the notice usually served prior to prosecution and asked his Worship to hold that a notice under the circumstances was not necessary.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Longbottom explained that the original operating room was taken exception to in 1929 and when inspection was made with a view to the renewal of the Entertainment Licence on October 30 last the building was considered quite satisfactory. A further inspection was made on January 31 when the alterations mentioned in the summons had taken place, and the operating machines moved back to the room to which exception had been taken in 1929. Another room had also been constructed for use as a rewinding room. This room was constructed on the level below the operating room and communication between the two was maintained by means of a small lift which worked in a hole cut in the floor.

More Than Technical.
His Worship remarked to Mr. Armstrong that it appeared to him to be more than a technical offence.

Mr. Armstrong replied that an inspection of the premises would reveal that the alterations were of a minor character. He thought it

OBITUARY.

**A FORMER PREMIER OF
CHINA.**

Shanghai, Feb. 4.
The death is announced of Sun Pao-chi at the age of 64 years. His health had been failing for the past six months.

After being Chinese Minister to Germany and France under the Ching Dynasty, Sun Pao-chi became Premier and Foreign Minister under the Republican Government during the regime of Dr. Sun Yat-sen. He is survived by six sons and 16 daughters.—*Reuter.*

[Sun Pao-chi was born in 1867 in Hangchow, Chekiang. He was appointed Minister to France in 1902. In 1906 he was chosen as Governor of Peking and in 1907-8 Minister to Germany. After this latter term of office he was made Governor of Shantung, holding that position from 1909 to 1911. From 1913 to 1914 he was Minister of Foreign Affairs, in 1923 Director General of the Customs and Revenue Administration, and in 1924 became Premier. In 1926 he was appointed Ambassador to Russia but did not take up that office. He was the President of the Hanyehing Company, and Director of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company.]

was a matter of opinion as to whether the alterations were injurious to the safety of the public. It was a matter of opinion whether the premises were more dangerous now than they were before and he would like to hear the views of the Hon. Inspector General of Police.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe confirmed Mr. Longbottom's views and described the alterations as the most dangerous arrangement. After explaining how, in the event of a fire, the safety of the audience would be endangered, Mr. Wolfe said that it was a most serious matter.

Mr. Armstrong remarked that the alterations were made to provide more accommodation for the "talkies," but this, the Hon. Mr. Wolfe denied and produced a letter received from the owner.

Company Had No Notice.
Mr. Armstrong said that he did not think that the Company could, in anyway, be bound by a letter which the owner might have written. Objection was taken to the room in 1929 by the Fire Brigade who required that a further staircase be installed and this matter was referred by the Company, who were the tenants, to the owner to deal with. The owner apparently dealt direct with the Fire Brigade authorities and the matter was then settled. As far as the Company were concerned the present operating room had never been condemned. The Company had never been told by the Fire Brigade authorities.

His Worship commented that the Company must have known the circumstances.

Mr. Armstrong said that the alterations were made to give the Company larger accommodation for "talkies." The object was for the rewinding of the films to be done in a room separate from the operating room, whereas previously the rewinding was done in the operating room. The reason why the old operating room was not used was because it was too far from the screen and the talking apparatus could not work satisfactorily. He did not agree that a fire in the rewinding room would block the passages or exits. The rewinding room was in a sort of mezzanine floor.

A Double Danger.
The Hon. Mr. Wolfe described the rewinding room as having doubled the danger of the previous arrangement when the work of operating and rewinding were done in the same fire-proof room.

Mr. Armstrong said that the Company was only too anxious to observe the regulations and would not do anything in any way to endanger its licence.

Mr. Longbottom informed his Worship that he was asking for an order for the premises to be reinstated to the satisfaction of the Building Authority and that the Theatre be closed to the public until such time as the order was complied with.

His Worship asked what au-

CORRESPONDENCE.

Service Salaries.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

My dear,—Arent men just too horrid—I dont mean Editors but ordinary men like Tubby.

I was so worried last night that I asked him again about that Military Distribution business and he said "no something fear of their going unless they raise the Liquid Dues" and he wont tell me what he meant.

Maud says things are in the Smelting Pot. Angus, who got a blue at Aberdeen for Domestic Economy and that takes some doing, tells her that positively all the best economists totally agree that no one should pay in rates more than one sixth of his Club Bills and that the limit has been reached and the time for Protest has come.

I think so too for Tubby says dammit that last dress of yours cost a year's rates and its the Something Limit and did I think he's made of Gold.

Tubby says its all a matter of currents he wont say why, but isnt it too poblelan to think of poor Sir William having to worry about Groceries? I say why cant they leave housekeeping and borrow the money from Brokers—so simple, my dear. Tubby says that anyhow we shall have the Pull our Horns in and that would be nice because some of them are too ravaging and anyhow the only horse we've got are on our ears so what can we do?

I'm not sure that Tubby quite likes our writing to each other but you know its only Plutonic, dont you, my dear?—Your troubled,

Porsy.

thority he had for ordering the theatre to be closed and after consideration Mr. Longbottom replied that he was not quite certain of the point as he had not given it consideration.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe remarked that Mr. Longbottom was probably confused with section 48 of the Entertainment Ordinances. "Under that section," said Mr. Wolfe, "I am about to apply to the Governor in Council to cancel the licence."

Mr. Wolfe pointed out that Section 48 read: "The Captain Superintendent of Police shall, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, have power at all times by notice in writing to cancel any licence without payment of any compensation, on its being brought to his notice that any of the conditions of the licence have not been complied with, etc."

His Worship said he found that something more than a technical offence had been committed and imposed a fine of \$100. An order was made for the premises to be made to conform with the requirements of the Building Authority.

On the question of the period of time necessary for the work to be done, Mr. Armstrong pointed out that plans would have to be submitted for the construction of an operating room to conform with the requirements of the Building Authority.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe remarked that there was nothing to prevent the Company from going back to their old room.

Mr. Armstrong: Except that it won't work.

The Hon. Mr. Wolfe: It worked for nine months.

Mr. Armstrong replied that it worked for nine months but not to the standard of perfection required by the public. They were then being brought up to the "talkies" but they had now been brought up.

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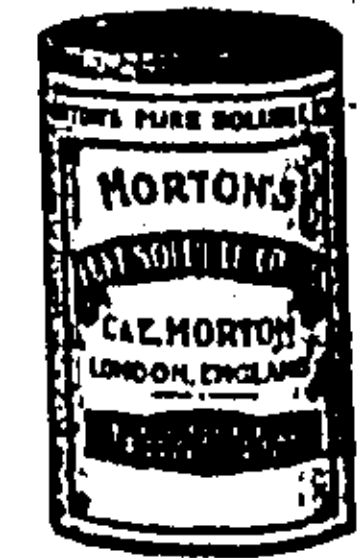
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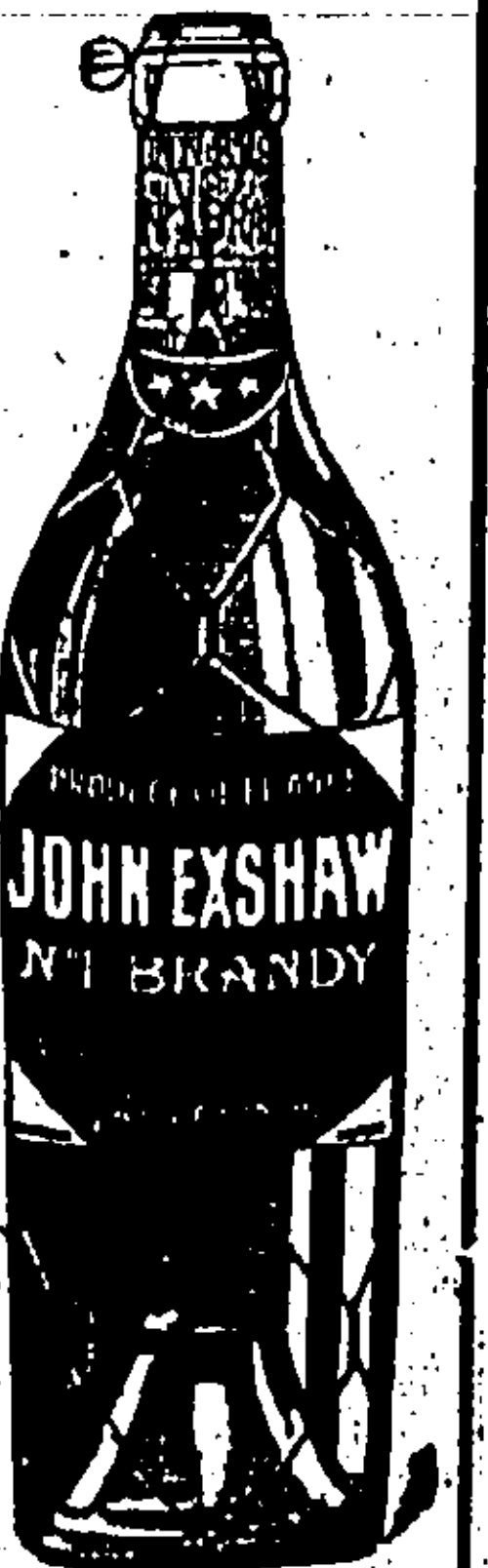
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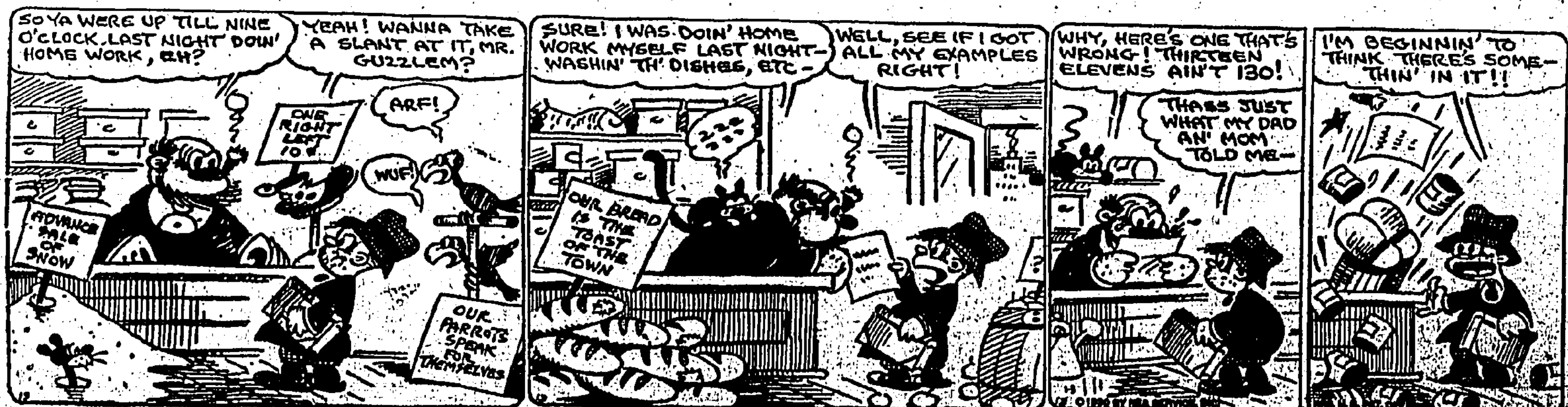
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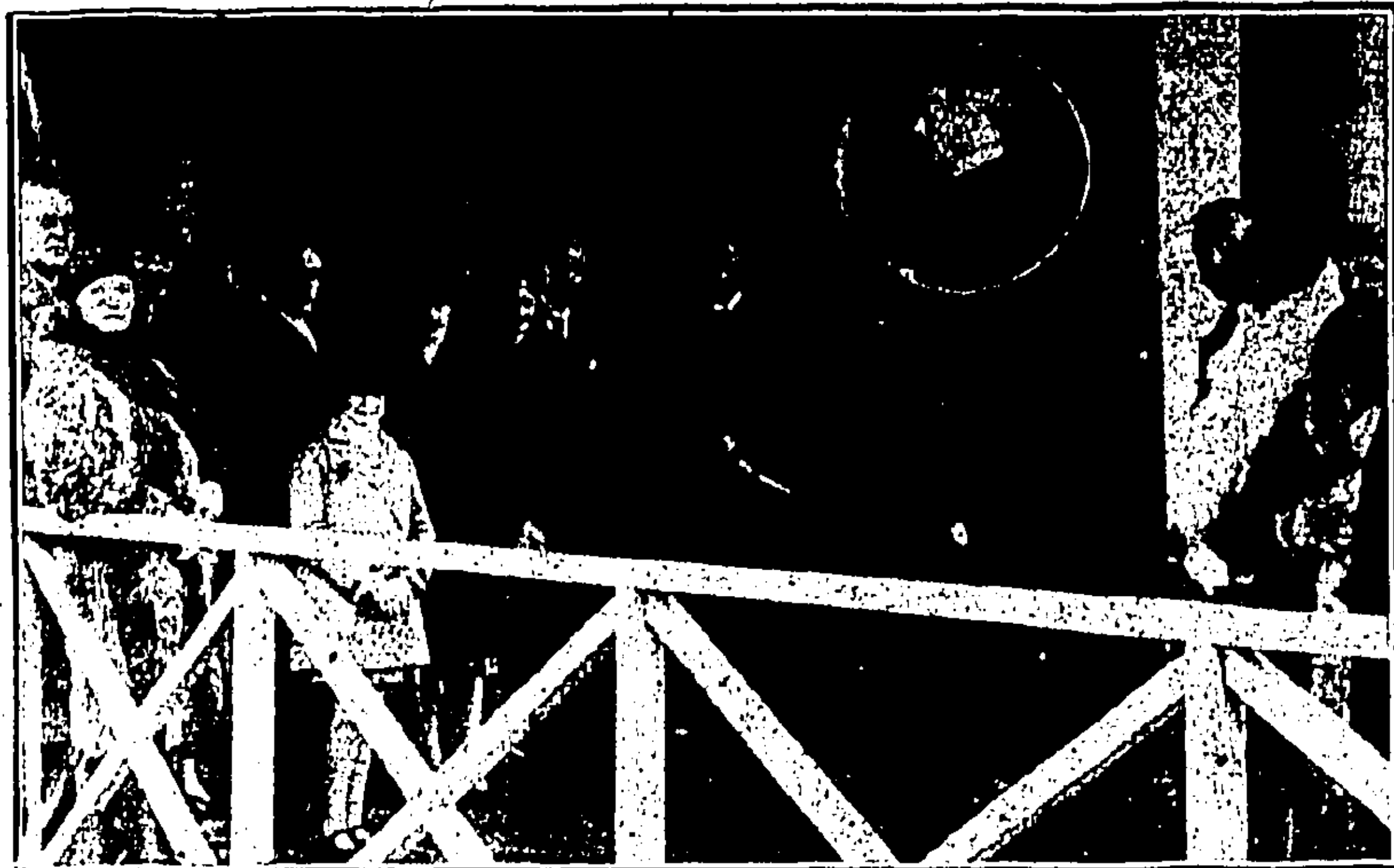


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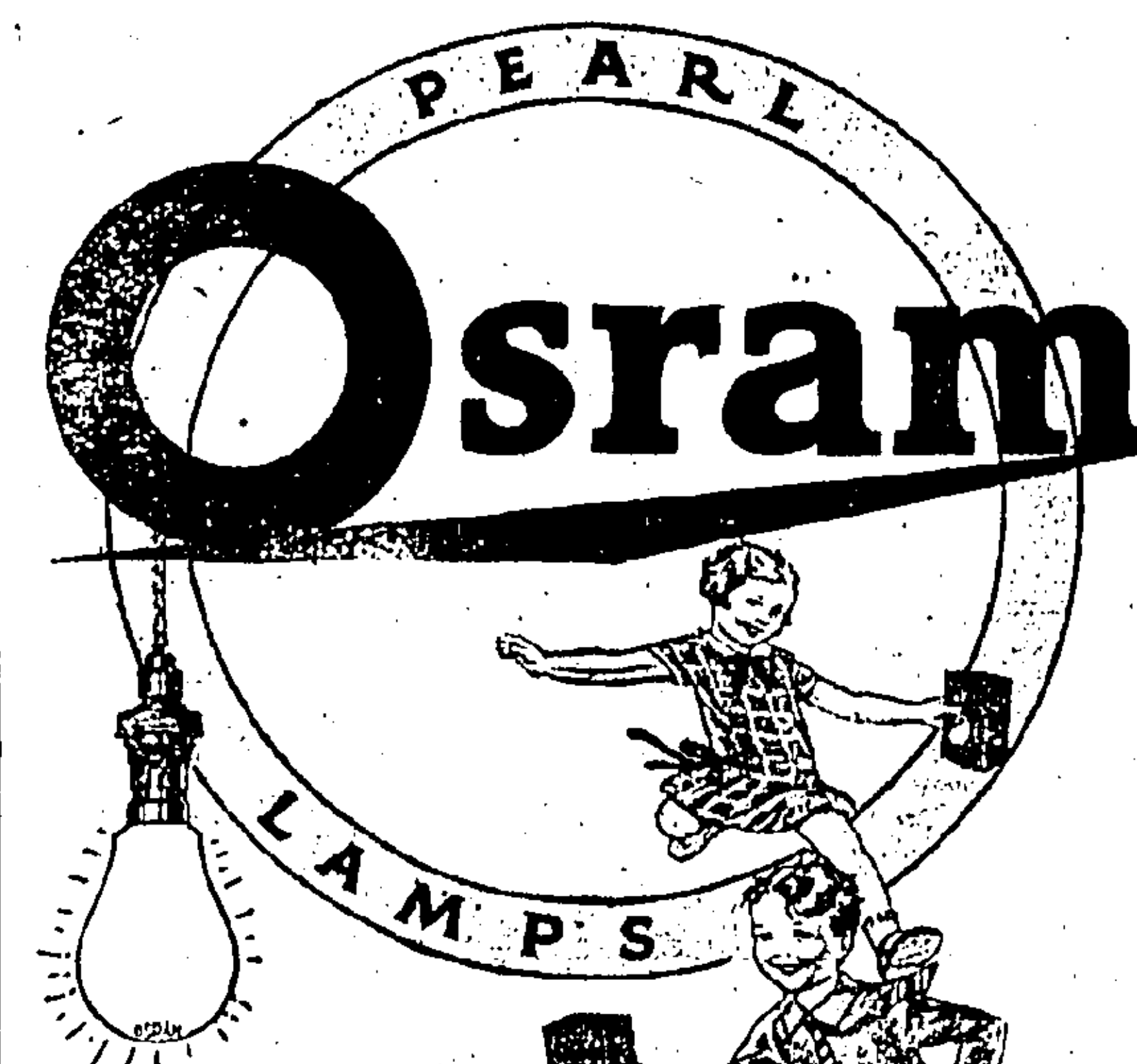
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The Register of Shares of the company will be CLOSED from Thursday, the 6th February, 1931, to Thursday, the 12th February, 1931, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd February, 1931.

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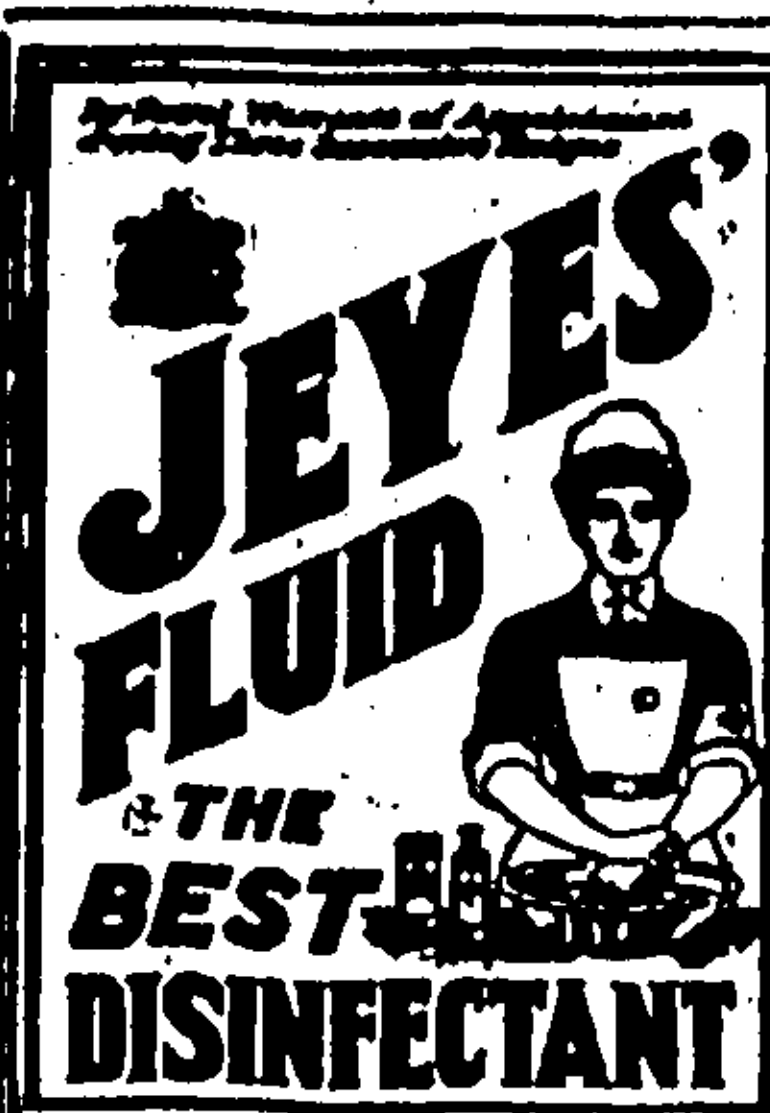
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Victor Symphony Orchestra, 22050.
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Pearl O' Mine (Fletcher).

Victor Salon Orchestra, 21970.
Mikado Selections (Sullivan).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra, 3334.

Spanish Life (Rizal).
A Gay Caballero (Crumit).
Victoria Orchestra, 3170.

5.30-6.30 p.m. Relay of Concert from The Helena May Institute.
7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations.

6.30-7.15 p.m. European Children's Programme from The Studio.
7.15-7.30 p.m. Children's Overture (Quilter).

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 14th January)	Kidderpore	February 5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	February 5.
Amoy	Talma	February 5.
Japan	La Plata Maru	February 5.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 14th January) ..	Kashima Maru	February 6.
Shanghai	Perim	February 6.
Europe via Negapatam, (letters only, London 8th January, 1931)	Takada	February 6.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinkiang	February 7.
Europe via Negapatam (papers only, London, 8th Jan. and parcels 1st January)	Antenor	February 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 9th January) ..	Pres. Fillmore	February 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai (San Francisco 9th January) and Europe via Siberia (London 19th January)	Pres. Fillmore	February 7.
Dairen and Amoy	Tjisalak	February 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Van. B.C. 17th Jan.) ..	Emps. of Canada	February 8.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	February 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 16th January) ..	Pres. Jefferson	February 9.
Java and Manila	Tjileboet	February 11.
Australia and Manila	Change	February 13.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Feb. 5, 3 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Pook On	Thurs., Feb. 5, 4 p.m.
Formosa	Sanyo Maru	Fri., Feb. 6, 8.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Chinhua	Fri., Feb. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Dalry	Liangchow	Fri., Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and "South American Ports" ..	La Plata Maru	Fri., Feb. 6, 9.30 a.m.
Amoy	Nam Sang	Fri., Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashima Maru	Sat., Feb. 7.
	K. P. O.	
	Registration	Feb. 6, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 7, 9 a.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	Feb. 7, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 7, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 8th March.)	
Haiphong	Canton	Sat., Feb. 7, 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hiram	Sat., Feb. 7, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Fillmore	Sat., Feb. 7, 9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Talma	Sat., Feb. 7.
	Parcels	noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Manila	Emps. of Canada	Sun., Feb. 8, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Yang	Sun., Feb. 8, 9 a.m.
*Swatow, *Amoy and Formosa ..	Hozan Maru	Sun., Feb. 8, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	Mon., Feb. 9, 9.30 a.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, *Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco	Pres. McKinley	Mon., Feb. 9.
	Parcels	1.3 p.m.
	Registration	Feb. 10, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 10, 9 a.m.
	(Due Victoria B. C. 4th March.)	
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia ..	Hikawa Maru	Wed., Feb. 11.
	Registration	Feb. 11, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 11, 9 a.m.
	(Due Victoria B. C. 4th March.)	
Sandakan	Mau Sang	Fri., Feb. 13, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Feb. 13, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashgar	Sat., Feb. 14.
	K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Feb. 13, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Feb. 14, 9 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 14, 10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Feb. 14, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 14, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 14th March.)	
Straits and Calcutta	Yuen Sang	Sat., Feb. 14.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	Parcels	noon.

*Superscribed Correspondence only

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$2080 b.

Chartered Bank, \$16 1/4 n.

Mercantile A. & B., \$24 1/2 n.

East Asia \$120 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1300 n.

Unions Ins., \$615 b.

North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.

China Underwriters, \$3.25 b.

Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.

China Fire, \$475 b.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$1300 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$28 1/2 s.

H. K. Steamboats, \$27 n.

Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$30 n.

Union Waterboats, \$38 n.

Mining.

Bonguets, \$10 1/4 s.

Kailans, \$39 n.

Shai Explorations, Tls. 2 1/2 n.

Rauhs, \$39 s.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$173 1/2 s.

Whampoa Docks, \$30 b.

South China Motors \$10 n.

China Providents, \$5.25 b. (old).

Hongkows, Tls. 270 n.

New Engineerings, Tls. 6 n.

Shanghai Docks, Tls. 108 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cotton, Tls. 16.25 b.

Shai Cottons, Tls. 16 1/2 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. & S. Hotels, \$12.80 b.

H. K. Land, 85 1/2 b. (old).

do. \$84 1/2

Shai Land Tls. 360 b.

Humphreys, \$17.15 b.

Realities, \$9.40 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$17.45 b.

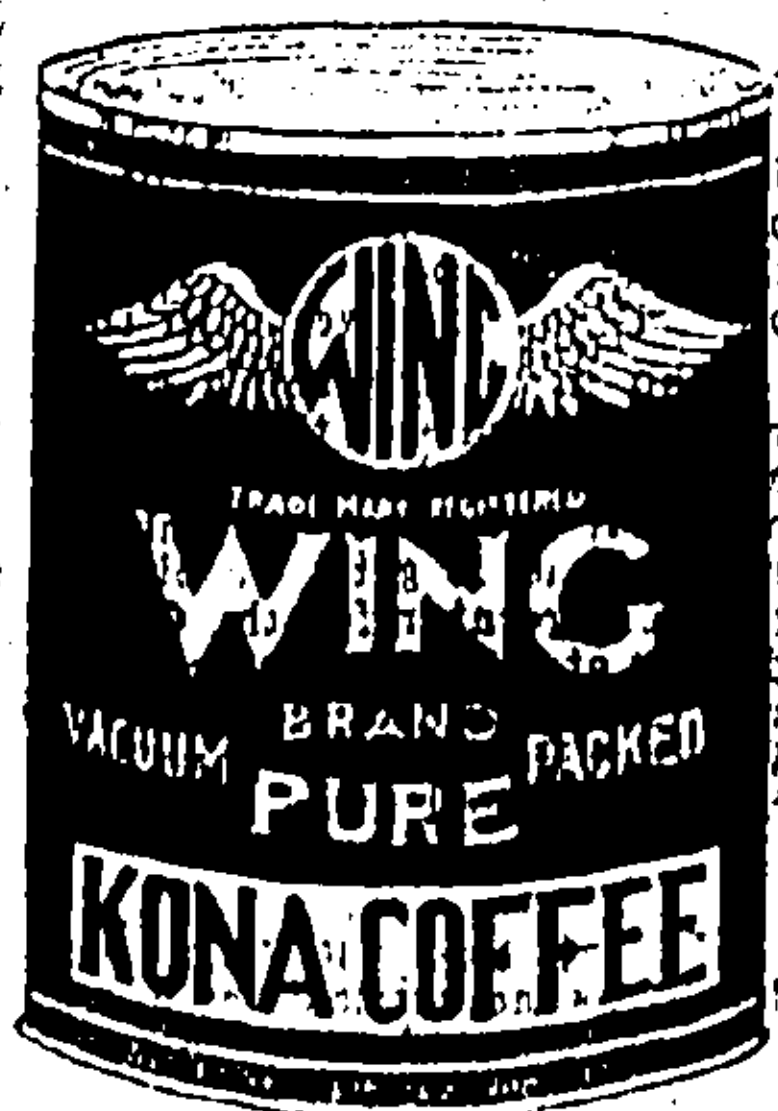
Peak Trams, (old) \$14 1/4 n.

Star Ferries, \$93 b.

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H. K. Electric, \$79 1

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SUGAR & HEALTH.

[By an Ex-Hospital Matron.]

Natural sugar is an essential food, is a producer of energy, and, being soluble, is readily assimilated, and easily carried to the muscles which utilise it. Fructose, or natural sugar, exists in fruits and vegetables and their juices, and also as honey.

The crystallised, refined varieties must be converted into the natural forms before they can be digested, and this transformation demands the expenditure of much energy which must be diverted from some other organ. Most of us surfeit ourselves with sugar, since the average yearly consumption per head in Britain is computed to be 100 lb., while our sweetest fruits contain a surprisingly small amount, scarcely ever more than 10 per cent.

The quantity of sugar which the body can use profitably is strictly limited, and the argument that the artificial varieties should be eaten in abundance to furnish us with a store of inward warmth is fallacious.

No food has the power of raising or lowering the body temperature by one degree. The internal heat so necessary to life is produced only by the slow combustion of the foods we eat.

Heat Control.

So delicately adjusted is the machinery of heat control, which regulates this combustion, that a variation of a few degrees either way can prove fatal. The circulating blood cannot carry, for the needs of this combustion, more than one-tenth in excess of the total

volume of sugar present in the body without untoward results.

The healthy pancreas sets up a barrier against the entrance into the blood of more sugar than the body can handle. The intake of extra sugar means the overloading of the pancreas, liver, kidneys, and skin which endeavour to dispose of the superfluous fuel, and soon there will come a breakdown of these organs.

Concentrated sugar is taken at every meal in alarming quantities. Generously added to tea and coffee, liberally ladled over porridge and puddings, sweets and sticky starches are coated with it. Artificial sugar is an active irritant to the lining of the stomach and so retards digestion. An excessive quantity of acid is poured out, and this means the mustering of sufficient alkalies, siphoned from other duties, to neutralise it. In addition, the refined variety must be converted into the natural type thus putting further strain upon the internal economy.

Many doctors earnestly believe that the inordinate use of artificial sugar by the young is the precursor of a craving for alcohol in adult life. There is no doubt that diabetes has increased progressively with the refining of sugar, and the denaturing of so many of our modern foodstuffs.

To urge that sugar should only be taken in the natural form is probably a counsel of perfection. If the manufactured variety must be consumed, then the coarser and browner it is the better. Unfortunately, the finest sugar in the world—which even the diabetic can take—is too often neglected. There is no more wholesome adjunct to breakfast and other starchy meals than honey.

FASHION NOTES.

Ensembles on the Wane.

"Ensembles" are definitely on the wane. The old fashion of coat and dress has, in many cases, been completely broken up, which means lots of separate coats or ensembles, in which coat and frock are of different material, so that the coat may be worn with a number of dresses.

Town clothes are much more formal in effect. One of the reasons of this is that tweeds, as we knew them, have almost disappeared, and the new tweeds are used only for sports and travel costumes.

Broadcloth, velvet, kashatulla, kasha, corduroy, fur-trimmed, lend richness to the daytime mode.

Almost any length of coat may be worn. Many coats are worn with separate leathers or antelope belts placed at the natural waist. Others have tie belts. There are long and three-quarter length Russian coats, redingotes, and many full-skirted coats, both for day and evening.

The new fashion requires wraps to have a distinct line, there being no idea of abandoning the slenderness which is indispensable to a youthful effect.

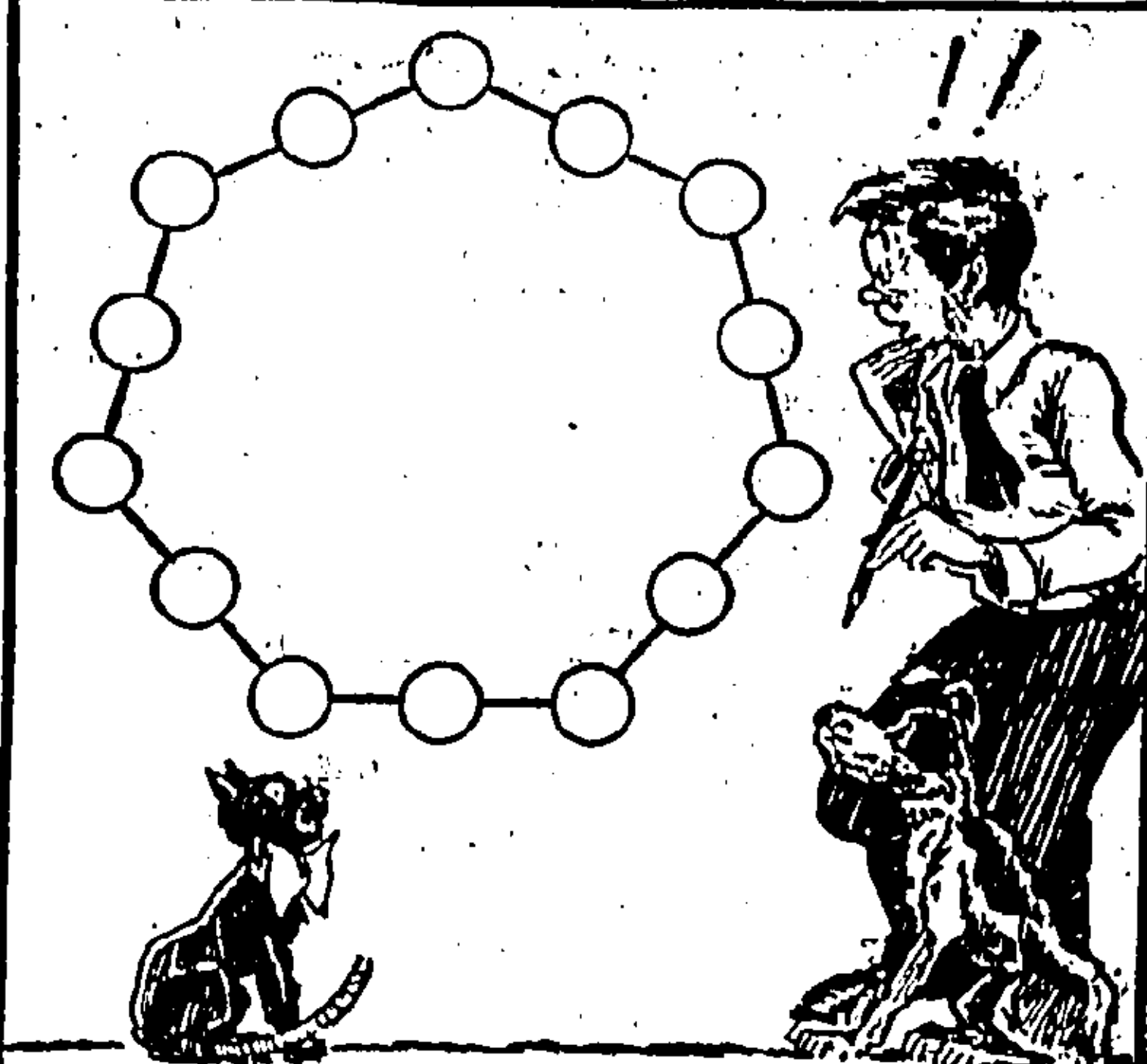
It looks as if the *beret* Basque is going to sweep women's fashions. The way to wear the *beret* now is well back on the head, showing as much hair as possible. The *beret* sides are very much pulled down, making the hat appear almost large. Shiring is a prominent note for trimming them. They draw them in at the back of the neck, thus leaving the huge fur collars women usually wear in winter in undisturbed position.

A Dainty Dress.



A suggestion for the youthful dancer. A dainty dress in ivory white chiffon, with full frilled skirt, and trim fitting bodice adorned with a slightly stiffened bow on the shoulder.

STICKLERS

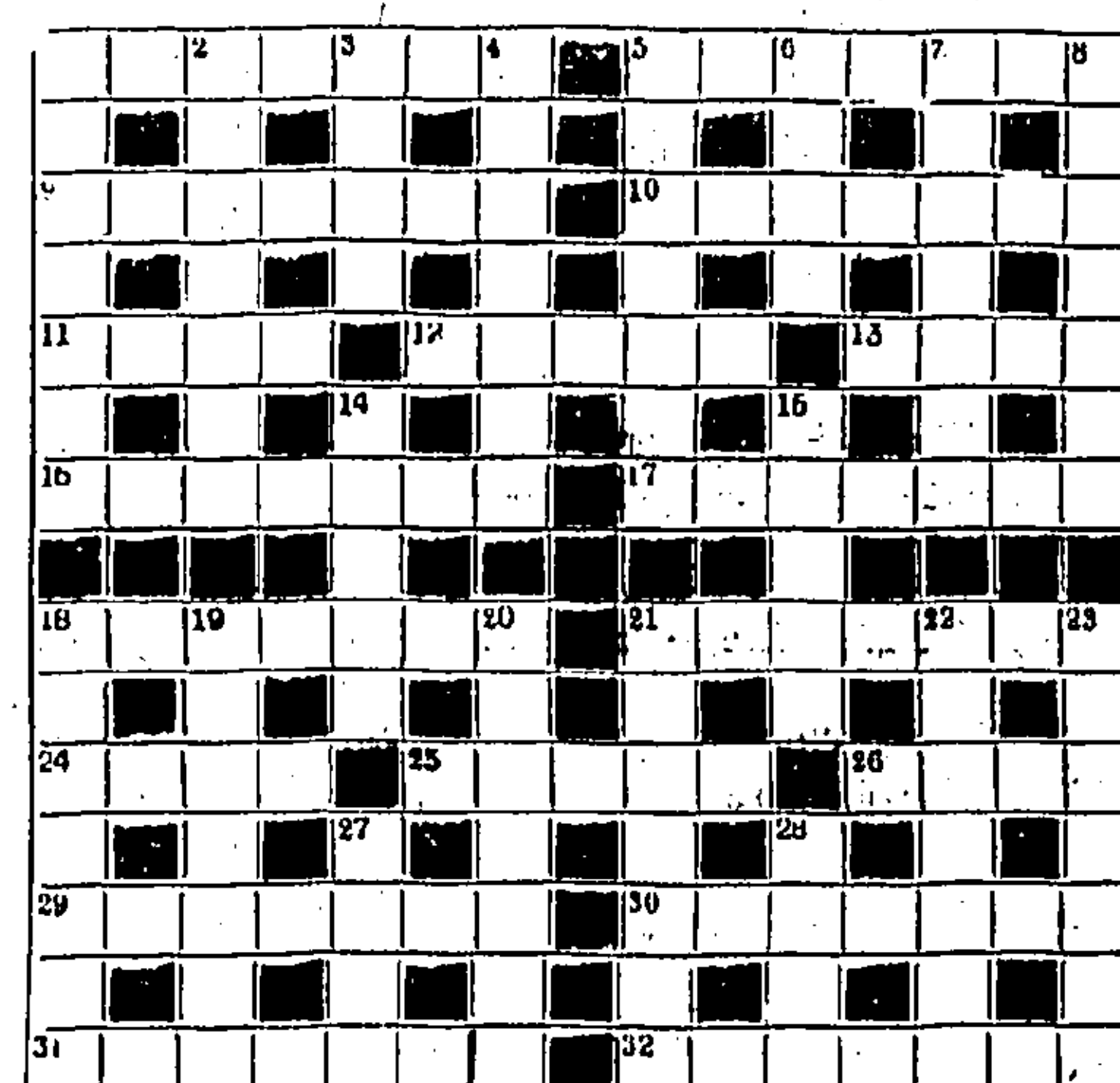


JOHNNY wants to use the fourteen numbers, from 1 to 14, and place them in the circles in the above diagram, so that the three numbers in each of the seven sides of the diagram add up to 19. Can you help him do it?

Yesterday's Solution.

The four dogs will meet at the starting point in one hour, by which time Tippy will have gone around the track five times, Buzzer four times, Scoop three times and Flop twice.

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Across

- 1 This shows the hairy heel.
- 5 An art carried to a high degree of perfection by Mr. Arthur Henderson.
- 9 This sounds like a rain that won't please the accused.
- 10 The alleged personification of profanity.
- 11 I hope Arnold won't win. He is so appallingly sure of himself (hidden).
- 12 The message bearer of to-day.
- 13 A writer of high-flown English.
- 16 Pertaining to chromium.
- 17 This'll make you sit up if you sit down on it.
- 18 "Who seeks an audit here propitious, pays his tribute, Game or fish, wild-fowl or—; and his errand speeds."—Cowper, The Task.
- 21 Took up.
- 24 What part of a wheel sounds dishonest?
- 25 A stage in French.
- 26 This came mid-monthly in ancient Rome.
- 29 He weighed many, many stones, but one more was too much for him.
- 30 Emotional.
- 31 An overture bearing this name by Ambrose Thomas is frequently played.
- 32 You, dear solver, are a mental one.

Down

- 1 Perhaps the pain might be responsible for one feeling thus.
- 2 Originally this name was applied to any dog that would burrow underground.
- 3 Though sweet in scent, as a blossom it is not striking (hidden).

- 4 Cattle with pain are due to motion.
- 5 Small children may (and do) do this for its own end.
- 6 Medicinal shrub.
- 7 If the above could speak it might say something like this.
- 8 Mourishment.
- 14 A girl in error.
- 15 Without this there could be no second.
- 18 "Our Garrick's a salad; for in him we see off—sugar," and snatches agree."—Goldsmith.
- 19 This soon ceases to be one.
- 20 Notwithstanding the negative every arrow is.
- 21 Some people think they are doing this when they are merely contradictory.
- 22 My Italian Lady.
- 23 Cut up.
- 27 He was a famous Roman censor.
- 28 A solar system in miniature.

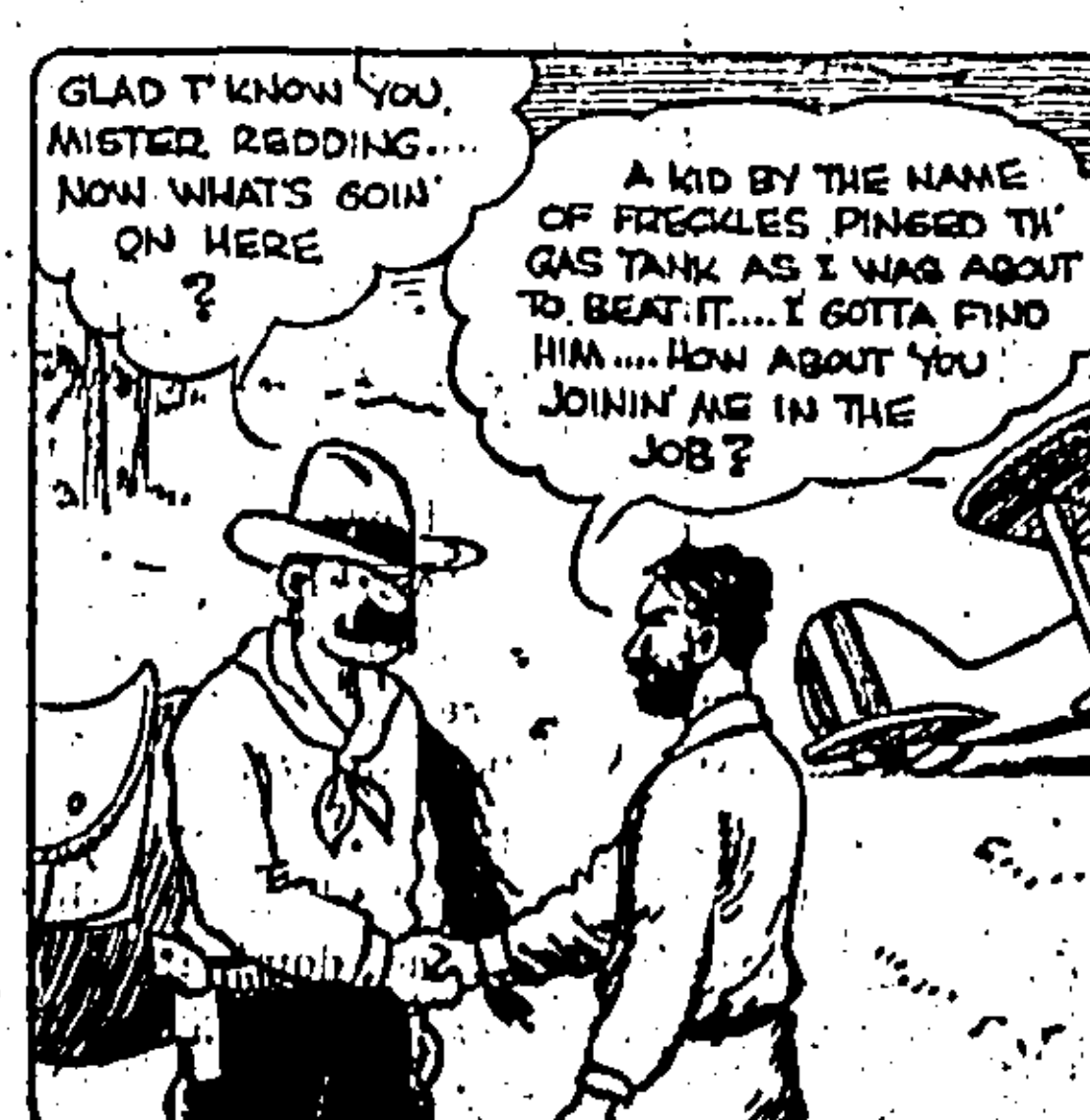
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THE SMALL-POX
QUESTION.

A very unwise concession in the matter of public health has been removed by the Sanitary Board having rescinded the resolution which permitted the treatment of small-pox cases in the homes of patients so long as the cases were notified, all the inmates vaccinated and a notice displayed intimating that there was a small-pox sufferer on the premises. Under the terms of this resolution, the right to enjoy home treatment on the conditions indicated was definitely established, even in face of official admissions that adequate isolation in the majority of cases was quite impossible. That right is, we are glad to record, now taken away, although it would appear that the Medical Officer of Health is permitted the use of discretion in the matter and might allow home treatment where he is satisfied that isolation is effective. Little, if any, objection can be taken to this exception to the general rule, provided, as we assume it will be, the discretion is tardily exercised.

We must congratulate Mr. M. K. Lo on the change of attitude which his speech at Tuesday's meeting of the Board indicated. Hitherto he had been a champion of home treatment, but he now realises that the experiment has failed and very wisely gives way to expert opinion on the subject. On the other hand, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin revealed himself as a "Die-Hard." Indeed, his arguments against compulsory isolation strike us as representing an astounding outlook in these enlightened days. To suggest, as he did, that, to the average Chinese, compulsory isolation is comparable to a prison sentence and all the horrors associated with it, seems unbelievable. Similarly, how Mr. Wong can seriously suggest that to attempt compulsory isolation is brutal passes our comprehension. Mr. Wong stated in the course of his speech that our isolation hospitals are not all that they might be, but he will surely concede that they are in every way infinitely superior for the treatment of infectious diseases than the hovels in which so many of the poorer class Chinese live. We must also join issue with Mr. Wong when he argues that the objection to hospital treatment is explained by the Chinese fondness for their homes. Our own view is that the alleged attachment to their homes is not the dominating factor in the case of the illiterate and ignorant

sections of the community who are the people with which the health authorities are most concerned. The fact of the matter is that these people pay practically no heed whatever to any health measure instituted by the Government. Mr. Wong thinks compulsory vaccination, and not isolation, is the better way of tackling the problem. He seems, however, to overlook the fact that compulsory vaccination is the law of the Colony already. Admittedly, it is not respected, but, as we have remarked, that is precisely the trouble—the great bulk of the population will not observe the health laws, if by so doing they are given any inconvenience or trouble. The logical outcome of granting latitude to people of this type would be to let them live without interference of any kind. That, however, would be the sheerest folly.

The Board, in our opinion, has taken the only course open to it, as guardians of the public health, by rescinding a resolution which ought never to have been passed. There can and will be no question of small-pox patients being "brutally" treated; it will be to their own advantage, as well as to that of the community generally, to see that they are properly looked after. We agree with Mr. Wong, however, that much more might be done in the way of propaganda. In this respect, Hongkong is far behind the times. Street preachers should be of the utmost value in this respect, and their efforts should be reinforced by all-the-year-round printed propaganda. It is not enough to take curative measures. Education of the masses is the great need. That accomplished, the problem will automatically disappear.

Wang Shao-hung.

The Nanking Government would seem to be capable of any shabby trick if there is truth in the report of the arrest of General Wang Shao-hung. The Kwangsi leader, it is true, received much friendly advice; semi-jocular warnings of the danger of walking into the lion's den were plentiful; but General Wang proceeded to Nanking without personal misgiving, desirous of settling the long-standing dispute between the Kwangsi faction and Nanking, and, if truth be told, few people seriously believed the Government leaders to be so lost to honour and dignity as to deprive General Wang of his liberty. Such want of good faith in the past has constituted Nanking's greatest handicap in the unification of the country. An Amnesty Bill was passed quite recently, but Marshal Li Chai-sum is still virtually the prisoner of Chiang Kai-shek. It is not surprising that civil war has devastated the country since the Revolution when such incidents can and do happen, when individuals whose views do not entirely coincide with those of very powerful leaders are liable to arrest and incarceration without trial. It is, therefore, much to be feared that, while Nanking holds most of the cards at the moment, the cessation of military activity, in reality, can only be an armistice. If the present leaders cannot be trusted, it follows they will never be willingly accepted. The fact of the matter seems to be that the time has come when political opposition in China must be legally tolerated and protected, when the Government must be safeguarded by a Bill of Rights, when popular representation in a National Assembly must be conceded to the people in some form or other. Until such concessions are made, the Nanking Government will always be kept on the jump.

A Chinese, Yeung Siu-sang, who had recently undergone a ten years' term of banishment and who had three previous convictions for larceny, was convicted by Mr. Butters, at Kowloon this morning, on a charge of having snatched from Heung Poon, on the staircase of 840, Shanghai Street, a purse containing \$1.82. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

DAY BY DAY

HATE IS ALWAYS AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY, BUT IT IS MORE EXPENSIVE IN POLITICAL LIFE THAN IT IS IN PRIVATE LIFE.—James Douglas.

Our Shanghai correspondent telegraphs that the death occurred at her residence yesterday of Maria Anna Diniz, aged 85 years, who formerly resided in Hongkong.

Chan On was fined \$250, or two months' imprisonment, by Mr. Butters, at Kowloon this morning, for possession of 25 lbs. of dutiable tobacco of No. 63, Reclamation Street.

A lecture will be given in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home to-night (Thursday) at 8 p.m., by Dr. S. W. Phoon, on "Chinese Customs." Admission is free, and the Public are heartily welcomed.

For having snatched a roll of cloth from a Chinese in Shanghai street yesterday, Ng Nang was ordered to receive twelve strokes or undergo three months' imprisonment by Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Suffering from burns through a tin of methylated spirits accidentally exploding, Lee So, married woman, living at Yee Chow Street, and Leung Kiu, a painter, of 20, Namcheung Street, were admitted into the Kowloon Hospital yesterday, the latter in a serious condition.

A handbag, containing money and articles amounting to \$20, was snatched from Mrs. Millard, living at No. 3, Waverley Terrace, Kowloon Docks, while she was walking through Dock Street, near the Docks, at 6.40 last evening. The thief, who had approached from behind unobserved by Mrs. Millard, escaped.

Gags and daggers found on a Chinese arrested in Bedford Street by an alert Shantung constable last evening have warned the police of the possibility of an armed robbery being contemplated. All Stations have accordingly been notified. When stopped by the constable, the suspect was heading for Yaumati.

DOLLAR LINE'S NEW
STEAMER.PRESIDENT COOLIDGE SOON
TO BE LAUNCHED.

Officials of the Dollar Steamship Lines announce that the second \$8,000,000 turbo electric dollar liner now under construction will be known as the s.s. President Coolidge, the Executives of the Robert Dollar Company having secured the consent of former President Coolidge to use his name for this new steamer.

The President Coolidge will be launched in Newport News on February 21st, and will take her place amongst other liners of the Dollar fleet operating in the new service between the Orient and New York via San Francisco and Panama Canal. The President Coolidge will begin her maiden voyage from New York westward on October 15th next.

THE BUCCANEER

By "BARTIMEUS."

ASHORE.

THE CHIEF Petty Officers and Petty Officers filed down the accommodation ladder into the stern sheets of the motor-boat. The rest of the liberty-men, the rank-and-file, sat crowded in the cutter that was already lying off against the background of a tropical harbour awaiting the tow of the motor-boat.

One by one they passed down the gangway, mostly sedate, slow-moving men aware of the dignity of their rank. There were two or three Engine-room Artificers, fresh-faced young men with the thoughtful eyes of students. The remainder were much older, patriarchs of the ship's company.

The oldest was thirty-nine and looked a youngish sixty. He was the Stoker Petty Officer in charge of the C.O. 2 machine, which he tended with the absorbed devotion of a high priest before the Ark of the Covenant; an immensely tall, bowed, gloomy man, who had, it was common knowledge, trouble at home.

The Chief Stoker of the mess-deck shepherded him ashore periodically, and saw to it that he ordered a bed before they settled down to the serious business of the evening.

The Captain of the Slide settled down gravely beside him. Next to the Chief Boatswain's Mate he considered himself most deeply in the councils of the Second-in-Command. Moreover, he enjoyed the peculiar distinction of being allowed to dress like a pirate chief and of ferrying a copper-punt along the waterline in the company of a few select cronies, similarly garbed, who dabbled their feet in the water, ignored sharks, slapped point on to the ship's side, and sang chantes in harmony while the rest of the ship's company wore the rig of the day and bowed the knee from dawn to sunset to the god of routine.

He was answerable only to Caesar for his actions, and from long cruising past the scuttles of officers' cabins was almost as familiar with the features of their next of kin, as portrayed by photographs, as the inmates were.

His neighbour the Painter was a little man, watery-eyed and rather red as to the nose, as well as a man might be who had spent most of his waking hours for a decade in paint stores beneath the waterlines of ships, cooped in an atmosphere of turpentine and lead paint. He did not thirst for power, being a total abstainer. But he was the Custodian of the Books of Gold Leaf, as well as the secret of mixing grey paint to the precise shade approved by the Commander-in-Chief.

The motor-boat was sliding away from the gangway, the Coxswain had rung down for slow speed, when there was a shout from the quarterdeck and the figure of a Marine appeared, clattered down the ladder, spanned the widening gulf between the platform and the boat with a wild leap, and landed in the stern sheets.

It was Butch, the ship's butcher. He was merely a Marine, but they made room for him, these staid

dignitaries, because each of them acknowledged in his heart that there had leaped into their midst one greater in power than they.

Who in all the ship's company would have missed the liberty boat and then bamboozled the Officer of the Watch with a pitiful tale of having had to get up a bird from the refrigerator for the Captain's dinner at the last minute when he was all cleaned to go ashore? Who but Butch would have had the temerity to get away with it?

He repeated the yarn breathlessly as he settled down on the thwart, glanced round the stolid, faintly disapproving faces, brushed his moustache upward with the back of his hand, and permitted one puff of eyelid to tremble in the direction of the Chief Baker, who was a townsie of his, and, if the truth be known, a congenial spirit.

He was unabashed by the lack of cordiality around him. One and all he had them where he wanted them. On his caprice they depended daily for their dinners. His disapproval meant shyness, his good grace shirlon. Wardroom Messman, Captain's Steward, Warrant Officers' Cook, they were all under his thumb. He could set the Paymaster and Captain of Marines at loggerheads for a week if it suited his diplomacy.

He was an old soldier—an old dog for a hard road, as the saying was; a four-badgeman and a graceless buccaneer. He shifted a paper parcel he carried on to his lap, and it was plain to all that its contents were a pair of boots. He was taking them ashore to be soled, he explained to the company at large. They nodded judiciously, but suspected a catch in it somewhere.

"What's wrong with the snob on board?" inquired the Sailmaker. Butch waved the suggestion aside. "I don't deal with no snobs aboard. There's them would say I was takin' advantage of my position to 'ave 'em done cheap."

They digested this irreproachable explanation in silence while the motor-boat, with the cutter in tow, ferried them ashore. Arrived at the Canteen, they ordered beer in quarts, for it was pay-day. The Painter, being a teetotaler, drank port. The High Priest of the C.O.s machine laced his beer with whiskey, as was fitting for one who had trouble at home. His wife was in an asylum, and once a month her sister, who had the custody of the children, visited her and wrote to tell the aunt man that she was no better and no worse.

Butch, his parcel under one arm and his swagger cane twirling jauntily, passed the Canteen by. His destination was an inconspicuous tavern set back some distance from the road and named, not inaptly, "The First and the Last." A tethered goat cropped at the grass outside and a mongrel cur, outstretched on the doorstep, gave the visitor's feet a wide berth. A negro dozed behind the bar; but for him and the flies the place was deserted.

Butch laid his parcel on the counter, and after a cautious glance round, cast off the wrappings and drew from the interior of each boot a plucked chicken. "Fifteen bob," he suggested blandly. The chickens finally changed owners for seven shillings.

"An' Ah call de musself Lawd 'twitness Ah don't know where you git dem from," concluded the purchaser, showing the whites of his eyes.

"Didn't I tell you I had them give me by the Wardroom Messman?" demanded Butch. It was perhaps stretching the bare fabric of truth beyond its limits, but at all events he hoped the refrigerator being none too well lighted, that the Wardroom Messman wouldn't miss them.

Some hours later, in an inner room, with a glass of rum at his elbow and a crown and anchor board before him on the table, Butch leaned back in his chair. Having won all the money in the pockets of the company present and drunk all the rum he could conveniently carry, Butch permitted himself to expand. He fixed with a moist, genial eye a young Marine, from a ship that had joined the Squadron only that morning. "An' oo might 'ave brought your ship out from England, young feller?"

"Captain the Honorable Walter Carstairs," replied the lad, not without pride, glad of a topic that would help him to forget a month's pay gone west.

"I ain't speakin' of no Captains, nor yet of no Honorables," Butch made a gesture of disdain (sweeping, magnificent: "Oo's yer Butch?"



"If she had any brains she'd know she could get him just by acting dumb."

COMPANY ACTION
CONTINUED."NOTHING BUT NOISE"
AT MEETING.MR. D'ALMADA TELLS OF MOST
VIOLENT LANGUAGE.

DEFENCE NOW BEGUN.

In the Supreme Court this morning, the hearing was continued in which the Sze Yap Steamship Company is seeking an injunction to restrain certain people from acting as Directors of the company, and at the same time asking for damages. The case for the plaintiffs was closed after much questioning of witnesses in regard to the noisy meeting of shareholders at which rival groups were at variance.

A witness, replying to Mr. Jenkin regarding the proceedings at the extraordinary general meeting, said that the chairman (Mr. Li Yu-tong) stood up and said that some of the shareholders wanted to discuss two resolutions only, as to chartering the ships and payment of a dividend. He did not ask for shareholders in favour of the proposal to approve.

Witness continued that when the new Directors were elected, after Mr. Li Yu-tong had left the chair, the names of Directors were put up separately, and the meeting was called upon to vote by a show of hands. A Protective Committee was also appointed, the procedure adopted being that all shareholders present were provided with a blank piece of paper, on which they were required to write eight names. The names were then collected.

No Vote Taken.

In reply to Mr. Potter, regarding the use and meaning of the words "put" and "voted upon," his Lordship said witness's evidence was quite clear that no vote was taken. Chan Chi-fong, No. 193, Wing Lok Street, said that when Mr. Li took the chair, he announced that the meeting was called for the purpose of discussing chartering the ships and payment of a dividend. There was much noise and no resolutions resulted at all.

Mr. Potter:—How came it that Mr. Li left the chair? He left the chair because of the noise. He said he had to leave the chair as he did not want to carry on.

What was the attitude of the meeting? Did they want him to stay or not?—People present tried to detain him, and asked him to carry on, but he refused and left. About 30 or 40 people left with him.

New Chairman.

Witness said that after Mr. Li left, another chairman was appointed.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin, witness said that he was a member of the Protective Committee. He had nothing to do with writing up the minute book.

Is Ma Kung-chang, the man to whom the requisition was first given to attend to, in the Colony?—Yes, but he is not in Court.

On the proposal of one of the shareholders, seconded by another shareholder, Mr. Li put the resolution to the meeting that the company's ships should be chartered?—No such thing happened.

That resolution was voted upon and carried?—No.

Nothing But Noise.

And it was further voted upon and carried that a dividend should be paid if the company's funds warranted it?—No. There was noise only. No such thing was put to the meeting.

I put it to you that the requisition, by the consent of the meeting, was not dealt with at all?—No such thing happened.

That the chairman asked the meeting whether they desired to conduct any further business, and, if not, he would close the meeting?—He never said he would close the meeting.

And no objection being raised to the proposal, he accordingly declared the meeting closed?—No. The Chairman never made any mention of closing the meeting.

A Neutral Man.

The meeting then dispersed peacefully?—No, when the chairman left only about 30 or 40 people followed him, and there remained over 100 in the room.

You do not suggest, do you, that Mr. Li has been in any way at all associated with either of the two rival parties in this company?—No, I do not say that. He was a neutral man.

I put it to you that in his conduct of the meeting he showed absolutely no leaning towards either one side or the other?—None.

If the chairman states, in the witness box, that, in fact, those two resolutions were put, voted upon and carried, and that the meeting then dispersed peacefully, can you suggest any motive why

THREE KIDNAPPERS
GAOLED.GANG OPERATING IN THE
COLONY.

STIFF SENTENCES.

Charges of kidnapping and harbouring were preferred against three Chinese, Wai Kau, Chan Ming and Lau Yui, before Mr. Butters, at the Yulong Magistracy this morning.

The first and second defendants were charged with having kidnapped a male child, aged seven years, from No. 7, Parkes Street, on January 17. They were also charged with having kidnapped Fu Ngau, from No. 63, Sai Tan village on February 1. The third defendant was charged with having harboured Fu Ngau in a hut in Sai Tan village.

Detective Sergeant Pitches said the three defendants were members of a kidnapers' gang operating between Hongkong and Chinese territory and had their headquarters in Sai Tan Village.

Ng Ying, the boy who was the subject of the first charge, was missing from No. 7, Parkes Street, on January 17. He was last seen in the company of another boy, playing in the street. The first and second defendants were alleged to have approached them and given them two bills to play with. They then suggested that the children should go with them to the park. At the entrance to the park, the first defendant asked one of the boys to remain behind and they went away with Ng Ying. That was the last seen of the child.

Nothing further happened until February 3, when the kidnapped boy's companion noticed the two defendants in company with another going down a staircase of a house in Austin Road. He immediately informed the victim's parents, who gathered together their clansmen and went to arrest the defendants. A fight ensued. The two defendants were arrested and taken to the Station, but the other man got away.

It also happened that on this day Fu Ngau, the victim of the second charge, managed to escape from a hut in the Sai Tan village where he had been detained. He had been taken there by the first and second defendants and left in charge of the third defendant. The boy went and informed his father, who went to the hut and there found the third defendant.

The first and second defendants pleaded guilty to the first charge and were sentenced to one year and 24 strokes each.

The first defendant pleaded guilty to the second charge and was sentenced to one year's imprisonment concurrently with the first sentence.

The third defendant was sentenced to one year's imprisonment on the charge of harbouring.

he should give that evidence?—No.

"Telling Lies."

And if the sergeant in charge of police, who was on duty, says that the meeting dispersed peacefully, and only 30 or 40 people were left behind under the chairmanship of the other chairman, what do you say to that?—If he comes into the witness box and says that, I say he will be telling lies.

You know Mr. Leo D'Almada, senior?—Yes.

He was the only solicitor present when Mr. Li left the chair?—Yes.

If Mr. D'Almada says that the meeting dispersed, and that the great majority of people left the building, do you say that is wholly incorrect?—I say it is incorrect.

The case for the plaintiffs closed just before the tiffin interval, Mr. Potter intimating that he could go on calling witnesses, but he proposed to stop there.

In reply to his Lordship, Mr. Jenkin said that he did not propose to open, as his Lordship already knew what his case was; it was very brief indeed.

Mr. D'Almada's Evidence.

Mr. Leo D'Almada was the first witness called, he having attended the meeting representing five of the seven directors who were present. Witness said that the meeting lasted from about 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and there were approximately two hundred people present. When witness left the meeting, a big crowd also left. Judging by the number of people in the streets he thought everybody had left the meeting at that time.

Mr. Jenkin:—Did you know anything at that time of any proposal to continue the meeting under a new chairman?

Mr. D'Almada:—I hadn't the faintest notion as I told you just now, I thought everybody had left the building.

Violent Language.

Describing what took place at the meeting, Mr. D'Almada said that according to his knowledge of the Chinese language, one of those present proposed, after a lot of discussion, during which most violent language had been used, that they should not proceed with any of the questions with the exception of the charter of the two

THE DISCOVERY AND
USE OF RADIUM.INTERESTING LECTURE BY
DR. MONTGOMERY.

Under the auspices of the Hongkong University Medical Association, an interesting lecture on "Radium, its history, physics, source, action and uses," was delivered by Dr. J. Howard Montgomery in the Union Assembly room yesterday evening. Professor K. H. Digby occupied the chair, and briefly introduced the lecturer.

Dr. Montgomery said that at the height of the interest aroused by the discovery of X-rays by Professor Roentgen in 1895, which familiarised the scientific world with a type of radiation that was capable of penetrating objects opaque to light, came the news of another discovery from France, and that was that certain substances possessing the power of radio-activity were also capable of penetrating objects opaque to light. This discovery eventually led to the discovery of radium.

It was in 1896 that Becquerel announced his discovery that salts of uranium could, in addition to acting upon a photographic plate, also cause the discharge of a gold-leafed electroscope.

Further researches were carried on, and Professor and Madame Curie eventually isolated a highly active "impurity" from an uranium ore called pitchblende, found in the mines in Austria, and this they named radium, in 1911.

Radium, said the lecturer, is a rare radio-active chemical element with a symbol Ra, belonging to the group of alkali earth metals which comprises the elements barium, strontium, calcium and magnesium. As a disintegration product of uranium, radium is never found in a natural state apart from its parent element. They always occur together in the definite ratio of one part of radium to each 3,400,000 parts of uranium. The atomic weight of radium is 226. Its chemical behaviour is identical with that of barium. In its metallic state it is a pure white metal. Photographs can be taken from the radiations emitted from it, but it is never used in that form because it changes quickly when exposed to air, and reacts with water, decomposing it into hydrogen and oxygen with the production of radium hydroxide. Hence it is always prepared and used for therapeutic purposes in the form of radium salts.

Radium salts are divided into three groups, the Alpha, Beta and Gamma Rays. After describing these rays, the lecturer said that radium also gives off a heavy radioactive gas known as radon emanation or radon, which is a comparatively short lived gas, and is greatly used in America for the treatment of diseases.

Source of Radium.

Up to the end of 1922 about 4/5 of the world's total production of radium was in the United States of America, but since then the Belgian output has been consistently increasing until now 35 per cent of the world's demand is supplied from Belgium. The pitchblende or uranium ore is found in the Belgian Congo, and from there it is packed in sacks and shipped to the reduction plants at Onlen, where it is subjected to chemical treatment, and finally a product very often pure radium bromide has to be separated from several million times its own weight in ore. To produce one gram, that was 15,432 grains, of radium, it requires 500 tons of ore to be treated with 250 tons of chemicals.

The lecturer next dwelt on the general principles of radium therapy. Coming to the effects of radium on the skin, he said that sufficiently big doses of gamma rays produce an erythema and a sensation of heat. If the irradiation be prolonged beyond this stage, the skin becomes darker, deep-red or purple in colour and is followed by blisters and peeling. If a considerable dose be administered a radium burn is caused.

The effects of irradiation on malignant cells and the methods of irradiation were each in turn dealt with, and in conclusion the lecturer stressed the importance of cases being treated in the early stage. "Radium treatment," he said, "is not to be looked upon as the last resort in hopeless cases when no other means of treatment are available, but is to be looked upon as the most powerful weapon in our command in fighting cancer in its early stages."

ships and the payment of a dividend if the assets warranted it. After being duly seconded, this suggestion was adopted without opposition. Before the meeting closed, the chairman asked if there was any other business and there being no reply, he declared the meeting closed.

Witness said that the first time he had heard another meeting had taken place that afternoon was in the middle of August.

Mr. Potter remarked that he would be some time in his cross-examination of Mr. D'Almada, and the Court then adjourned for tiffin.

INDIAN SCHOOL
PRIZE DAY.QUESTION OF URDU AS AN
OPTIONAL SUBJECT.

MR. ARCULLI'S IDEA.

The relative value of the Urdu language to students of the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians was mentioned by Mr. A. C. Arculli when he presented the prizes at the annual distribution of the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians this morning.

Mr. A. T. Hamilton (Headmaster), presided, and welcomed the visitors who included Mr. R. Sutherland (representing the Education Department), Rev. G. E. S. Updell (Headmaster-elect), Mrs. Sutherland and Mrs. Hamilton.

After distributing the awards, Mr. Arculli addressed the students and said that his father took a great part in the foundation of the school, and he also liked to keep in touch with its activities; anything which he could do for the school was a labour of love.

The report of the Headmaster must be very gratifying to the supporters of the school, showing, as it did, continued success during the past year. It was evident that, despite the fall of exchange and trade depression, the industry of education was flourishing here.

Every branch of industry required support for expansion, and education was no exception to the rule. For it to succeed, parents must co-operate with the teachers so that the lessons of discipline and the application of work which were inculcated in school hours might be continued in the home.

The Urdu Question.

It appeared that there had been much more study of Urdu during the past year. It was made a compulsory subject when the school first started, and it had remained a compulsory subject. There were two classes of boys who attended the school—the boy with the Indian domicile and the boy with the local domicile. The former, when he left that school, returned to India to complete his studies, and, after leaving school there, entered into business in India where the study of Urdu was necessary. There for such a boy, it was very essential that he should study Urdu, and such study should be encouraged.

The latter class of boy, however, did not speak the language in his home, and when he left that school, he entered a higher school in Hongkong, where the language was not taught. After leaving the higher school, he entered local employment where the language was not necessary. For such a boy he thought the study of Urdu should be optional, thus allowing him to study some other subject or to concentrate on existing subjects. He hoped the parents would give the matter consideration.

He regretted to know that Mr. Hamilton was leaving, although he hoped it was only temporary. In Mr. Updell, however, the school had a worthy successor, and he hoped his stay with them would be a pleasant and successful one.

To the boys who had not managed to win prizes that day he would congratulate them on their efforts, and remind them that they had acquired the habit of diligence, and had made the key with which to unlock the gate of success.

Headmaster's Report.

The Headmaster's report was as follows:—During the year ending 31st December, 1930, the school was open for 224 days. The maximum enrolment for the year was 136, an increase of five over last year. The average attendance was 126. There has been no change in the staff during the year under review. Mr. Hardit Singh went on leave in November; the discipline continues to be satisfactory.

At the annual examination, 131 boys were examined, and of that number 114 passed, or nearly 87%. It was with great satisfaction indeed that I have to report a vast improvement in Urdu. At the examination just held, 80% passed, compared with 64% and 64% at the two previous examinations.

This reflects very great credit on Mr. Channan Singh who takes the whole of the Urdu throughout the school. The credit is all the greater when one considers the difficulty he has to contend with in teaching boys who look upon Urdu as a foreign language. Out of 131 boys in the school there are only 57 Urdu-speaking boys in the school.

In the matter of sport, our boys are very fortunate. We have adequate grounds for the playing of football and cricket, both of which games are still very popular during the winter months. In the summer we have ping-pong and swimming. The annual sports meeting held on January 20th was a very successful gathering, at which nearly every boy in the school competed in some form or other.

Healthy Surroundings.

I think you will agree with me that situated as we are among such pleasant surroundings the boys cannot but have good health. Besides taking advantage of our grounds for various forms of sport, a very pleasing feature is the outdoor classes when the weather is favourable. Then we

ALLEGED ASSAULT
ON CHILD.MOTHER CHARGED WITH
ILL-TREATMENT.

TWO BLACK EYES.

Charged under the Offences Against the Person Ordinance and accused of ill-treatment of her four-year-old child, a married woman of West Point appeared before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge of assaulting the infant, who was stated to have had two black eyes as well as several bruises on its body.

Inspector John Murphy, attached to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Horne, who represented the defendant, who was not present in Court when the case was called.

Mr. Lo remarked that as the defendant had seen fit to engage a solicitor it was probably due to a misunderstanding that she had not appeared.

In reply to his Worship, Inspector Murphy said that the child, the defendant's daughter, was four years of age. The doctor had not been able to ascertain how the injuries had been caused.

His Worship:—There's no direct evidence then, at all?

Inspector Murphy:—Not yet, your Worship.

His Worship adjourned the case until next Thursday morning and remarked that, unless the defendant appeared during the course of the day to renew her bail, it would be estreated and the case would be brought to an end.

Later the defendant appeared in Court and when asked by the Magistrate why she had not appeared at the proper time replied that her clock had been slow.

have Physical Drill during the winter months. All these factors I am sure are of considerable benefit from a health point of view. Our thanks are again due to Mrs. Minett, Medical Officer for Schools and to Dr. Laing for their help and advice during the year. We are also indebted to Mr. M. A. Khan of our own staff for vaccinating nearly every boy in the school.

The School Library although small is well used and the boys find it of great assistance in their studies. The Garden is still flourishing and continues to be a source of interest.

A year ago I made reference to the large number of free scholars we had and how much they appreciated what was being done for them. Unfortunately this number had to be reduced during the year, and instead of 140 boys we have now only 30 on our free list. These boys are most grateful and desire me to thank their benefactors. We hope that during this year more funds will be available as there are still some very deserving cases excluded from enjoying this privilege.

In December, the whole school visited the Central Theatre and witnessed the interesting and instructive picture "With Byrd to the South Pole." In October, arrangements were made whereby every member of the staff attended the demonstration course on "Health Matters" organised by the Medical Officer for Schools. We again thank the Hon. Director of Public Works for permission to make free use of the North Point Bathing Beach in summer; the Hon. I. G. of Police for providing the services of a drill instructor; and Mr. Wu Hay Tong for a scholarship tenable at Queen's College for three years. We also thank the Sincere Co., the Sun Co., the Wing On Co., Members of the Indian community and others for their generous support to our Sports Fund. To the members of the staff I wish to express my deep sense of appreciation for their loyal support and co-operation during the year which enabled the work of the school to be carried on so harmoniously.

List of Prize-winners.

Class 4.—Bashir Ahmed, 1st Prize and Government Scholarship for three years; Nazir Ahmed, 2nd Prize and Government Scholarship for three years; Ibrahim, Wu Hay Tong Scholarship for three years; R. Marker, Ellis Kadoorie Scholarship to Queen's College for one year; Nazir Ahmed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Bashir Ahmed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Ibrahim, Prize for Urdu.

Class 5.—F. A. Currem, 1st. Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Mohamed Hasean, 2nd. Prize; F. A. Currem, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; F. A. Currem, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Naranjan Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Class 6.—Abdul Qadir, 1st. Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Shek Hsuanan, 2nd. Prize; D. Shamsuddin, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Abdul Qadir, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; A. R. Khan, Prize for Urdu.

Class 7.—Ali Mohamed, 1st. Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Abdul, 2nd. Prize; Ali Mohamed, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition; Lal Shai, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Geography; Surant Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Class 8A.—Tara Singh, 1st. Prize and Government Scholarship for one year; Lal Singh, 2nd. Prize; Tara Singh, Ellis Kadoorie Prize for Composition and Geography; Noor Ahmed, Prize for Urdu.

Class 8B.—Shor Mohamed, 1st. Prize; Aziz Ahmed, 2nd. Prize; Indar Singh, Prize for Urdu.

Special Prize presented by Mr. A. R. Sutherland.—Won by Bashir Ahmed.

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AUSTRALIAN WAGES.

FURTHER MOVE TO GET THE
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Melbourne, Feb. 4.
The Attorney General, Mr. Brennan, has filed a further affidavit in the Arbitration Court in connexion with the recent application for a postponement of the

basic wage reduction. It is said that the Government is engaged on the details of a plan to reduce unemployment and maintain national solvency.—*Reuter*.

[A Canberra message of February 2 stated: The Cabinet has decided to ask the Arbitration Court to reconsider its decision to reduce the basic wage rates by ten per cent, as announced on January 22.]

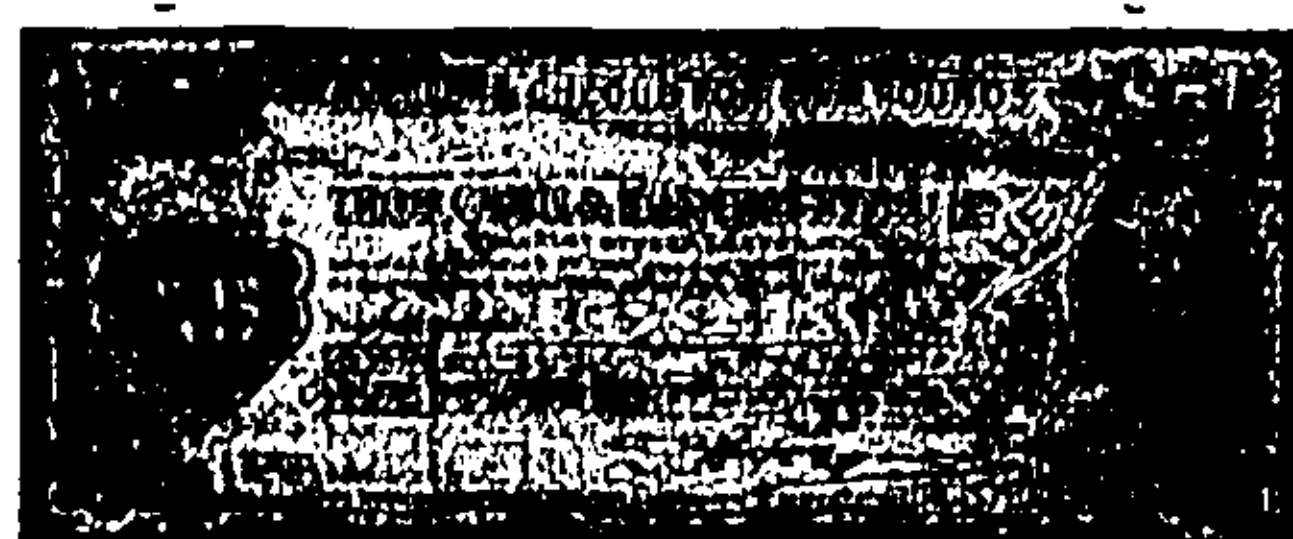
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CORRESPONDENCE.

Interport Soccer.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I cannot really let "Wanderer's" latest criticism to pass without comment. His opinion concerning the play of Strange is one which I consider is shared by very few and which I sincerely trust will not influence the decision of the selectors.

It may interest "Wanderer" to know that I am given to understand on reliable authority that for the previous nine or ten years Strange has been used to playing in the left back position, and I presume he has naturally found it somewhat difficult to accustom himself to the right back position, which only emphasises that the favourable impression he has made on spectators in his recent matches is more than well earned.

One also wonders what "Wanderer" means by "inexperienced" and "unorthodox things." I presume the former refers to his being his first season in local football, and the latter to the two occasions in the match against the Services when he carried the applause of the spectators by relieving a difficult situation in taking the ball up to the halfway line before passing to his forwards.

There are one or two other points in today's criticism which would bear argument, but perhaps the least said is the soonest mended at such a critical period.

In the event of it being possible to hold another trial, it would be interesting and no doubt informative to the selectors to see the following team in action against the United Services:—Clark; Li Tinsang, Strange; Hedley, Eynon, Yeoman; B. Gosano, Segelan, A. Gosano, Fung King-cheong and Ip Pak-wa.—Yours, etc.

FOOTBALL FAN.
Hongkong, Feb. 4th, 1931.

The comment which finds this particular fan's disapproval read as follows: "Strange is inexperienced and does so many unorthodox things that it is difficult for a partner to work with him. When it comes off, and he is undoubtedly playing a very fine game just now, all is well, etc."

That Strange is playing well just now is not disputed. The point is that he is purely an individualist, in my opinion, having no understanding with his half-back or his partner, and it must be admitted that coherence in defence is equally important with coherence in attack. The correspondent and I must agree to disagree.

We evidently see points in football from entirely different angles. Strange's exploit in running the ball to the half-way line through his half-backs in the Army game, was bad play. "Football Fan" considers it to be good. I was not referring to these incidents in my reference to unorthodox methods, the employment of which largely led to the term "inexperienced." I am much surprised to learn that Strange, who started football in Hongkong as a forward, has previously played at back. Well as he is playing, his methods certainly do not appear to bear the stamp of experience.—"Wanderer."

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

SEAMEW STILL GOING STRONG.

In a League match played here yesterday H.M.S. Seamew defeated H.M.S. Cicala by three goals to nil. Throughout the whole of the game Seamew were definitely the superior team. Cicala were never really dangerous, even missing with a penalty shot awarded them in the second half. A strong southerly wind was a handicap to good play, confining the game to the northern side of the field.

This is the Seamew's third successive victory, in which they have scored nine goals without reply, and providing they win their remaining three they can top the League. The only other team in a similar position are the Moorhen who also have three matches to play, one of which is against the Seamew.

The following teams were lined up yesterday under Mr. Clark when the Seamew were without Cardy:

Seamew:—Adams, Friend, Meachen, Spence, White, Wright, Hutchins, Howard, Neave, Cunningham, Baker.
Cicala:—Stacey, Plnder, Hicks, Rees, Domoney, Rudling, Stephens, McKisack, Rander, Williams, Lowings.

The present standing of the League is:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tarantula	9	5	2	2	10	12	12
Moh	8	4	2	2	15	10	10
Seamew	7	3	1	2	12	7	9
Moorhen	7	4	1	2	12	9	9
Cicala	8	2	0	6	10	0	2
Shameen S.C.	0	1	2	6	13	25	4

—Our Own Correspondent.

SIM SHIELD HOCKEY.

NAVY BEAT THE ARMY BY ONE GOAL.

In a fast and evenly contested match, the Royal Navy secured their second victory in the Sim Shield yesterday afternoon, when they met and defeated the Army by four goals to three, after having had the worst of the exchanges during the first half of the game.

The Army players were the first to find their form, and after some even play scored the opening goal. They later followed up this success with another point.

At the interval there had been no alteration to the score, but after the resumption the Naval players made a wonderful recovery, and more than held their own. They soon reduced the lead, and then scored the equalising goal, later netting a third point to put them ahead.

The Navy, who have already beaten the Hongkong Hockey Club, are due to meet the Army in the return match on February 19.

Ladies' Hockey.

The following team will represent the above Club in a match against the Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club on the K.B.S.F.F.A. ground at King's Park on Saturday, at 4.15 p.m.:—J. Smalley; E. Gray, B. V. Frankling, E. O'Hanlon, E. Bonner, M. L. Wallace, E. K. Bell, N. McNeillie, E. M. Donelan, C. M. Ferguson, M. Bishop.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar markets yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 5/7 1/4 down 1/4 d.
May 5/11 1/4 down 1/4 d.
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December 6/6 1/4 down 1/4 d.
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New York Terminals.

March 1.21 down 2 pts.
May 1.20 down 1 pt.
July 1.37 no change.
September 1.44 down 1 pt.
December 1.52 down 1 pt.
London 4/2/31.—Market easier owing to more 88% Beet offering. Cuban 96% not offering at present.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

"FEAR" CUP CONTEST FOR SUNDAY.

The following is the draw for the "Fear" Cup. 36 holes medal play on handicap, to be played over the Kowloon course on Sunday:
9.00 Dr. Gogan & J. Ringshaw.
9.05 A. C. Sinton & E. O. Murphy.
9.10 D. Wilson & W. Orchard.
9.15 G. H. Russell & W. Taylor.
9.20 J. D. Thomson & J. Macintosh.
9.25 A. Silkestone & T. J. Price.
9.30 H. T. Buxton & A. T. Bracey.
9.35 E. C. Fincher & L. Jack.
9.40 W. J. Woolley & J. Gellatly.
9.45 A. S. Owen & W. Stoker.
9.50 J. S. Smith & E. D. de Roza.
9.55 P. W. Plimmer & A. A. Lopes.
10.00 W. Mills & J. G. Meyer.
10.05 A. Eastman & W. M. Groves.
10.10 J. E. L. Johnson & W. C. Simpson.
10.15 J. King & L. Elford.
10.20 H. Mundy & A. W. da Rosa.

SATURDAY'S BOXING TOURNAMENT.

COMPLETE PROGRAMME.

Following is the full programme for Saturday night's boxing tournament:

6 Round Lightweight Contest.—A. B. Scott ("Kent") v. Pte Roberts, (S.W. Bord.)
6 Round Middleweight Contest.—A. B. Kelley ("Medway") v. Stoker Barber ("Medway").
10 Round Contest at 130 lbs.—A. B. Kelley ("Medway") v. Stoker Harley ("Kent").
10 Round Contest at 147 lbs.—L. S. Davies ("Crimmes") v. L. S. Hall ("Cumberland").
15 Round Contest for Middleweight Championship of Colony and Belt.—Jock Crichton (holder) v. A. B. Ewin ("Kent").

UNIVERSITY SPORTS MEETING.

OPEN EVENTS AT ATHLETIC GATHERING.

At the Inter-University athletic meeting to be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 14 and 15, under the auspices of the Hongkong University Athletic Association, there will be the following open events:—1,600 metres relay open to bona fide clubs, 800 metres flat race (no entrance fee, post entry), 800 metres relay open to school boys only, 400 metres relay open to school girls only.
The entrance fee for each team is two dollars. All entries should be sent in to the hon. secretary by February 28.

FRESH QUAKES AT NAPIER.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Dominions, Mr. J. H. Thomas, from the Governor-General of New Zealand, Lord Bledisloe, expressing appreciation on behalf of the Government and the people of New Zealand for the British Government's message of sympathy, states that complete information is not yet procurable, but it is already evident that the full severity of the shock was felt at Napier and Hastings where many large buildings collapsed.

"At Napier, fires broke out, apparently sweeping over a considerable area of the business centre.

"The death-roll cannot yet be estimated as it has not been possible so far to re-establish the telegraphic communication destroyed by the convulsion and we are at present relying mainly upon wireless communications from vessels in Napier at the time and H. M. S. "Dunedin" and H. M. S. "Diomedes" which arrived there from Auckland today, with medical relief and supplies.

Grave Fears.

"It is feared, however, that the loss of life is severe. Ninety persons are already known to have perished.

"Doctors and nurses have been despatched to the district and a large number of injured, of whom many are homeless, are now receiving medical attention.

"Food and other necessary supplies are being organised under the supervision of Ministers of the Crown who reached the scene of the disaster today.

"Frequent minor shocks are still being felt over the greater part of the Hawkes Bay area and although much damage to buildings has been caused in outlying districts, the loss of life except at the centre of the disturbance, has been small.

Harbour Bed Changed.

"The bed of the harbour at Napier has been raised in places by 18 feet.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

It is learned that warning of a possible quake in "The Shaky Isles" was given over a month ago, over twenty minor shocks being recorded in one day.

Earlier Reports.

Wellington, Feb. 4.
It is rapidly becoming apparent that the earthquake death roll is much heavier than was at first believed. It is authoritatively estimated that at Hastings alone between 80 and 100 persons were killed. Many are still buried in the ruins. It is also reported that over 30 are dead in the township of Taradale. There are grave fears of a big increase in the first estimates at Napier.

Along the seashore in front of the marine parade at Napier, which is now strewn with wreckage from a line of jagged ruins in the background, sit the stricken families, wrapped in sobs, fearful of what night may bring. Their homes are smashed, and their town a mass of smouldering debris, among which are a new municipal theatre, one of the finest in the country, a fine masonic hotel, two big newspaper offices fitted with the latest equipment, a Presbyterian church and the

beautiful Cathedral, damaged beyond repair.

"Hardly a chimney is standing between Napier and Waipukurau (a distance of over forty miles) in the words of a journalist who managed to get through to Napier. This indicates the extent of the havoc, the repair of which will be a mammoth undertaking.

Heartrending Tragedies.

Some of the individual tragedies are heartrending.

For example, nine girls were buried alive in the collapse of a drapery store at Hastings. The roof fell on scholars and teachers in a technical school in Napier, and many were killed. The night staff were sleeping when the nurses' home fell, like a house of cards, at Napier, many being buried. Others dashed heroically into the tumbling building to bring the patients from the wards, and many were caught by the crashing walls.

The grandstands of the local racecourse have been hastily transformed into temporary hospitals.

Owing to the chaos prevailing at Napier the people arriving in Wellington from the stricken seaport say it is impossible to estimate the dead, but all agree that "hundreds were killed." Some fear that the total will reach four figures.

Evacuation Ordered.

Wellington, later.
A general order was issued to-night ordering the evacuation of Napier within two days.

The sewerage system has failed, and the authorities fear a serious outbreak of disease if the inhabitants remain.

Tremors are still being experienced. Whole families are camping in gardens or by the wayside throughout the affected area.

Commodore Geoffrey Blake, who has gone ashore at Napier, has requested the despatch of all available demolition stores to blow up buildings and check the path of the flames, which are still raging in the town.

Five Moth aeroplanes are taking a chlorinating plant and experts to Napier to perform necessary disinfection.—*Reuter.*

The Relief Work.

London, Feb. 4.
Reports from New Zealand state that in Napier such few buildings as survived the shock were so damaged that it has been necessary to dynamite them to prevent their collapse, and fires which broke out are stated to have involved the large oil tanks near the harbour.

Although many roads in the neighbourhood are cracked and bridges are down, all the seriously injured in both Napier and Hastings have been evacuated through the night, and the routes are alive with transport.

Several thousands of refugees have left the district, where minor shocks have continued to occur intermittently, and food and shelter is being supplied to these by the public authorities. Police, Red Cross personnel and volunteers are still engaged in searching the debris for bodies.

Eyewitnesses state that the area to the north of Hawke Bay around Gisborne bears a ravished appearance. There are holes in the ground wide enough to bury sheep. The small township of Waipara is partly in ruins, and has wide cracks in the streets.—*British Wireless.*

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RULING ON PRESS CENSORSHIP.

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EMERGENCY QUESTION

When the summonses alleging an evasion of the censorship on the part of four Chinese newspapers (the *Wah Kiu*, *Nam Chung*, *Nam Kung* and *Chung Hwa*) were again before Mr. Lindell yesterday afternoon, His Worship gave a lengthy decision over-ruling the two legal points submitted by the defence, which disputed the legality of the Emergency Regulations Ordinance and the Press censorship thereunder.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith appeared for the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Mr. F. H. Losby for the *Wah Kiu*, and Mr. J. T. Prior for the other three papers summoned. Giving his judgment, Mr. Lindell said:

The two points I have to decide in this case are:

- (1) whether or no the Emergency Regulations Ordinance of 1922 is *ultra vires* the constitution of this Colony; and
- (2) if that Ordinance is *ultra vires*, whether or no the Regulations made thereunder in 1925 by the Governor in Council for the Censorship of the Press are *ultra vires* the Ordinance.

To take the Ordinance first, Article VI of the Letters Patent of 1917 constituting the office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and superceding the original Letters Patent of 1888, provides for the constitution of a Legislative Council; in Article VII it is laid down that "the Governor may, by and with the advice of the Legislative Council, make laws for the peace, order and good government of the Colony"; Article X empowers the Governor in his discretion, but subject to any instructions issued to him under the Sign Manual, etc. to give his assent to any Bill passed by the Legislative Council; and finally Article XII provides that in the making of any laws the Governor and Legislative Council shall conform to and observe all rules, regulations, and directions in that behalf contained in any instructions issued under the Sign Manual and Signet.

Turning to the instructions which bear the same date as the Letters Patent, 14th February, 1917, the defence has quoted Article XXVI which lays down that the Governor shall not give his consent to any Bill affecting *inter alia* the currency of the Colony or subjecting non-Europeans to restrictions which are not imposed on Europeans, and has argued that the Emergency Regulations Ordinance, which confers almost unlimited powers on the Executive Council is within the category of such Bills. Further, even admitting that the Ordinance, No. 5 of 1922, may be saved by the final paragraph of the same Article which expressly empowers the Governor when he has satisfied himself that urgent necessity exists for bringing such a law into immediate operation, to assent thereto provided it is not repugnant to the law of England, Mr. Losby maintains that this last proviso destroys the effect of the saving clause, inasmuch as any interference with individual liberty and the freedom of the Press is in fact repugnant to the Common Law of England.

In this connexion, however, I am satisfied that the words "repugnant to the law of England," must be interpreted in the light of those used in Sec. 2 of the Colonial Laws Validity Act 1865 (28 & 29 Vict. C.63), that is to say "repugnant to the provisions of any Act of Parliament extending to the Colony to which such (colonial) law may relate or repugnant to any order or regulation made under authority of such act of Parliament."

Of the Judgment of the Privy Council in *re Reg. v. Marale ex parte Marale* 1902 A.C. p.63—4 reads: "There is no doubt that up to the passing of the Colonial Laws Validity Act difficulties have arisen and it was for the express purpose of getting rid of the difficulties raised on the subject and particularly in reference to the words 'repugnant to the laws of England' that the Act was passed, because one of the common and familiar forms whereby the Colonial Legislatures were constituted and constitutions given provided that nothing enacted should be repugnant to the laws of England; and there is no doubt that that had given rise to some doubts and difficulties which the Act was intended to cure." Then later (page 50) "The obvious purpose and meaning of the Statute was to preserve the right of the Imperial Legislature to legislate even for the Colony, although a local Legislature had been given, and to make it impossible when an Imperial Statute has been passed expressly for that Colony for the Colonial Legislature in that sense to enact anything repugnant to an express law applied to that Colony by the Imperial Legislature itself. That is the meaning of those words."

No Forbidding of Censorship.

I can find no Act of Parliament forbidding censorship of the Press or of VI Halsbury P. 319, Para. 461. "Apart from the general provisions ensuring the peaceful enjoyment of rights of property and the freedom of the subject from illegal detention, duress, punishment, or taxation, contained in the four great Charters or Statutes (i.e. Magna Carta, the Petition of Right, the Bill of Rights and the Act of Settlement) which regulate the relations between the Crown and people, the liberties of the subject are not expressly defined in any law or code."

Hence I can see no repugnancy to any law of England in a local Ordinance that makes provision for the establishment of a Press censorship. *Pro tanto* at any rate, such an Ordinance will be valid. I hold therefore that on this head the defence fails. (2) A second line of defence is based on the principle which is part of the law of Agency, that *delegatus non potest delegare*, i.e. that an agent cannot without the authority of his principal bestow on a third party any share of his responsibility. Hence it is argued that the Legislature of this Colony, being no more than an agent of the Crown, cannot empower the Executive Council to make for it regulations having the force of law which it itself has no right to make. The argument as it stands, can hardly be gainsaid, but it is based on two assumptions. (a) that the Legislature is no more than the Crown's agent, and (b) that the powers of Legislation given to the Executive Council are such as the Legislature does not itself possess, both of which are in my opinion false.

I hold that the Governor in Legislative Council is something more than a mere agent bound by the ordinary rules of Agency. If so, it would inevitably follow that without definite authorisation from the Crown the Legislature could not empower the Executive to make any binding regulation whatsoever.

Moreover, even if the law of Agency does apply, then the delegation of powers conferred by Ordinance No. 5 of 1922 is perfectly valid inasmuch as it has since been approved by the Crown's expression of non-dissallowance of that Ordinance, which amounts to authorisation of the agent's action. Cf. *Pong Wai Ting* and others v. Attorney General of H.K.

With the second assumption I have already dealt in holding that the establishment of a Press Censorship is not repugnant to any Act of Parliament extending to the Colony, and hence could validly be effected in this Colony by Ordinance in special circumstances.

On this head again the defence fails.

Local Powers Exist.

(3) I have finally to consider whether "the Newspaper etc." Regulations set out on p. 802 of the Regulations of Hongkong under the first of which these proceedings have been brought, are *ultra vires* the Ordinance. I have already held that the Legislature would have power, if it so desired in an emergency, to establish a censorship of the Press, and that it has authority to depute such power to the Governor in Executive Council.

Hence the Newspaper Regulations are *prima facie* binding. The only lines left to the defence on which to attack them are:

(1) that although such regulations can only be made "on an occasion when the Governor in Council considers that there is a danger of emergency or public danger," neither these regulations nor any others purporting to have been made under the Ordinance contain anything to show that any such state of emergency existed when they were made.

I can find no force in this contention, but hold contra that in such a case a presumption arises that the regulations were made in accordance with the provisions of the enabling Ordinance.

(2) The second line of attack is this: Allowing that the Regulations were duly passed to meet an emergency, yet it is clear from the repeal of the more drastic of them that that emergency has passed, and therefore it is a gross abuse of its powers by the Executive to continue to maintain the Press Censorship.

The answer to this contention seems to be: who but the Governor in Executive Council is the Judge as to whether the emergency is past? The worst of it may be over, and yet some danger still remains. Again there seems to me to arise the presumption that inasmuch as these particular regulations (Continued on Page 11.)

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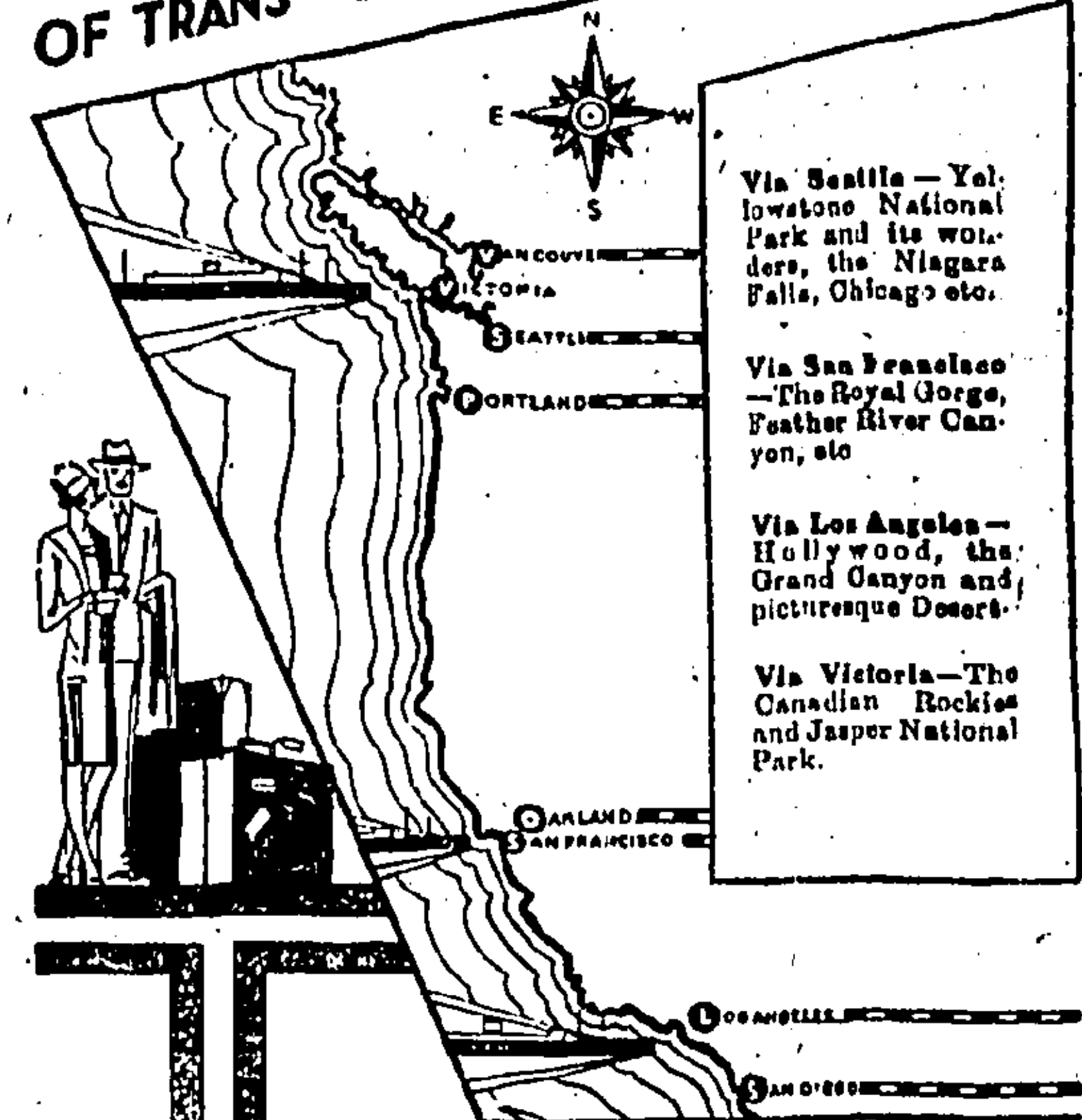
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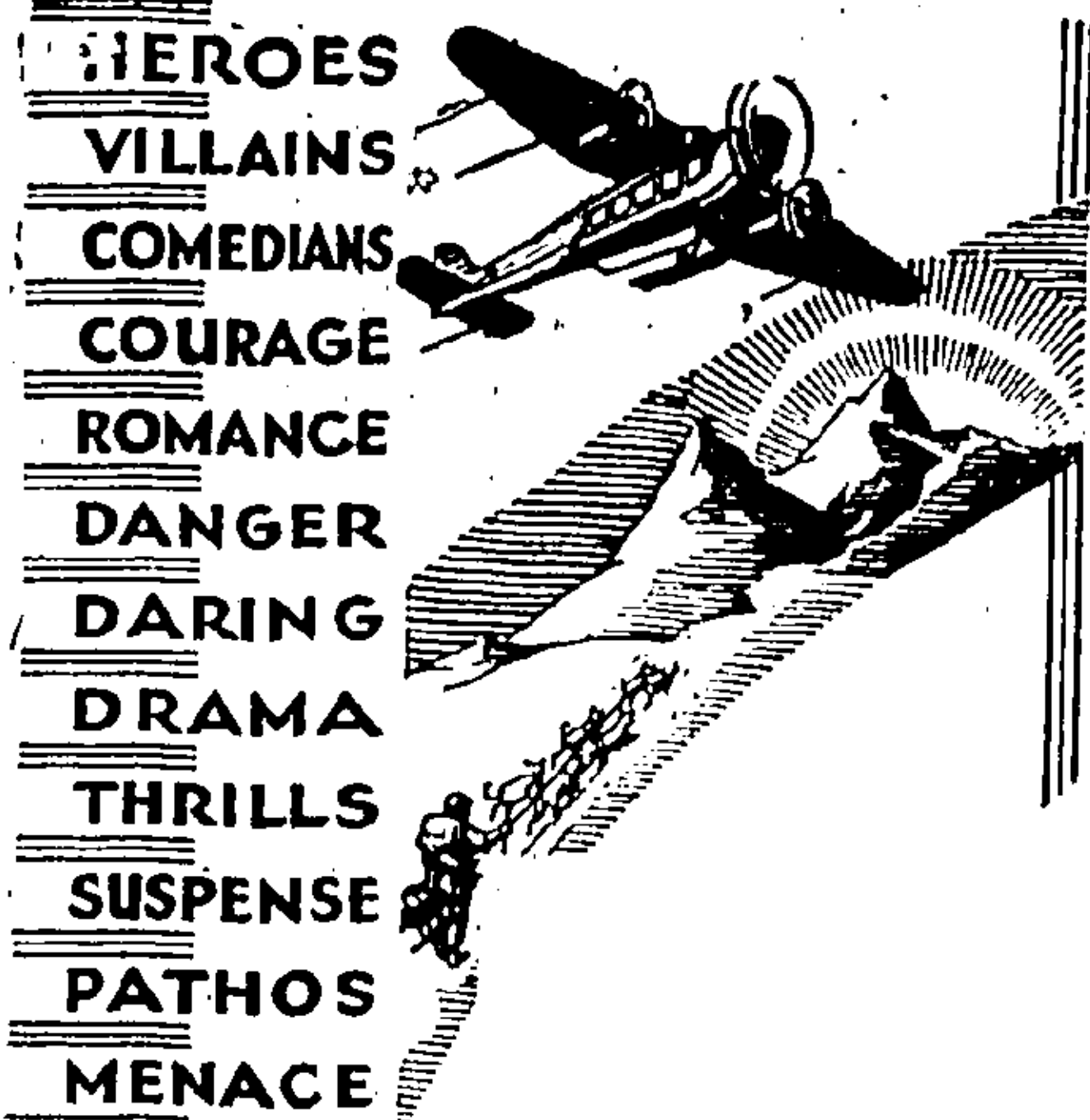
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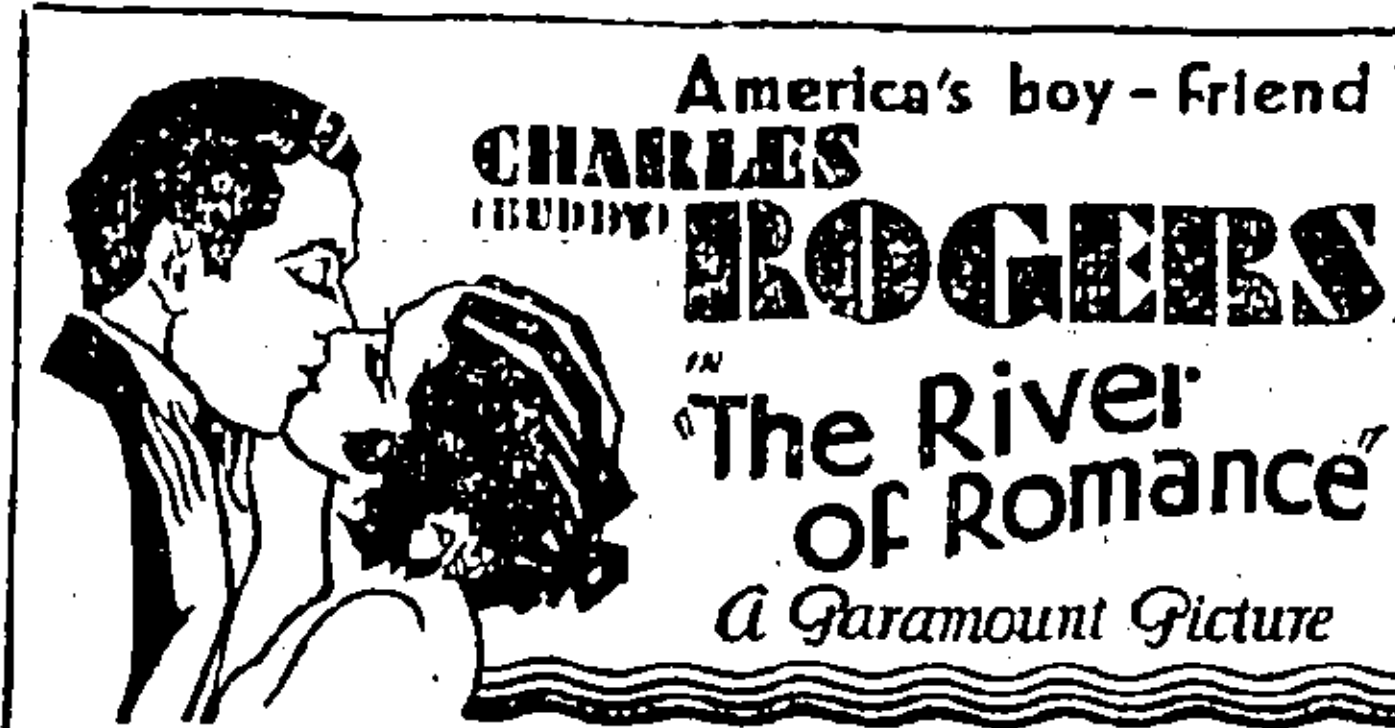


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shortly before two o'clock, commenced to move of its own accord and eventually fell into the harbour. The owner, Dr. G. V. H. Griffith, Medical Officer of the Victoria Gaol, who had left his vehicle immediately before the incident, was about to enter the ferry at the time. The vehicle was taken out from the water about five o'clock.

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CHINESE RAILWAY BONDS.

POINTED QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

BRITISH INTERESTS.

London, Feb. 4. In the House of Commons, Mr. A. M. Samuel (Con. Farnham) asked if Mr. Arthur Henderson, Foreign Secretary, would ascertain from the Chinese Government whether it had placed the bonds of the Peking-Hankow and Hu-Kwang Railways as a charge on the Maritime Customs, in accordance with its contracts to British subscribers to those railway loans, in view of the fact that there had been a revision of the Chinese tariffs and in view also of the abolition of opium. Mr. Henderson replied that the proposals tabled by the Chinese representatives at the Nanking Conference which opened in November seemed to point in the direction which Mr. Samuel desired. The loans, however, could not be treated independently of the Chinese Government's other obligations, and he (Mr. Henderson) thought it better not to anticipate the deliberations of the Conference at which they were being considered. Replying to a supplementary question, Mr. Henderson said he could not try to have an agreement reached before the third reading of the China Indemnity Bill. If, however, the matter was raised in the debate on the Bill, he was prepared to reply.—*Reuter.*

THE GLEE SINGERS' FAREWELL.

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Shortly after arrival of the Yonah yesterday, a coolie who was leaving the Douglas Wharf was arrested with 25 taels of prepared opium in his possession. He was brought before Mr. Lindsay at the Central Police Court this morning and fined \$3,000 or six months' hard labour. The defendant told the Court that he had found the packet of opium on the wharf, but Revenue Officer Grinnitt informed his Worship that a detective found the contraband tied around the defendant's back under his clothing.

SCOTTISH CUPTIE RESULTS.

DRAW FOR THE THIRD ROUND.

CELTIC SCRAPE THROUGH AND DRAW MORTON.

SUNDERLAND'S ORGY.

London, Feb. 4. Celtic scraped through by the odd goal in their Scottish Cup-tie at Dundee to-day, while Aberdeen in their replay with Partick Thistle brought off a brilliant 3-0 victory.

Five matches have yet to be decided for qualification for the Third Round, the draw for which was made to-day.

To-day's Cup games resulted: Partick 4 Alloa 2 Dundee U. 2 Celtic 3 King's Park 1 St. Bernard's 1 Cowdenbeath 1 St. Johnstone 1 Partick 0 Aberdeen 3 Hibernians 5 Hamilton 2

The draw for the Third Round resulted: Cowdenbeath or St. Johnstone v. King's Park or St. Bernard's. Hibernians v. Ayr United. Third Lanark v. Arbroath or Edinburgh C.

Clyde or St. Mirren v. Falkirk. Montrose or Civil Service v. Kilmarnock. Dundee v. Aberdeen. Hibernians v. Motherwell. Morton v. Celtic.

Matches to be played on February 14. The elimination of four of the leading teams on Saturday renders the draw even at this stage in the competition a trifle tame, except from the viewpoint of the "Juniors" who have made such capital progress.

The keenest tussle is likely to be seen at Dundee, where Aberdeen provide the opposition. The Celtic, Motherwell and Kilmarnock should win without difficulty.

In the English League, First Division, to-day, Sunderland overwhelmed Blackburn, scoring eight goals to two, while Crewe in the Third Division netted six times at Gateshead, one of the best defensive sides in the division. The results were:

First Division.

Sunderland 8 Blackburn 2 Bolton 1 Chelsea 1

Second Division.

Bradford City 2 Cardiff City 1

Third Division (North).

Crewe 6 Gateshead 2 York City 4 Hartlepool 2

The amended tables follow:

First Division.

Wednesday P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. Arsenal 25 17 5 6 76 48 39 Aston Villa 25 16 6 3 70 36 38 Derby 25 13 7 5 65 49 33 Portsmouth 27 12 6 9 63 40 30 West Ham 27 12 6 9 63 40 30

Huddersfield 27 11 7 9 61 48 29 Manchester C. 28 12 5 11 60 51 20 Sheffield U. 27 10 8 9 68 52 28

Middlesbrough 28 12 4 12 59 63 28 Newcastle 27 10 7 10 48 45 27

Blackburn 27 10 6 11 57 58 26 Liverpool 27 11 6 12 60 59 26

Leicester 27 9 8 10 56 56 26 Bolton 27 8 11 10 60 64 24

Sunderland 27 9 6 13 56 51 23 Birmingham 27 7 8 12 41 62 22

Grimby 28 9 4 15 42 66 21 Leeds 27 7 9 11 46 85 21

Blackpool 27 7 7 13 46 85 21 Manchester U. 28 4 4 20 36 80 12

Second Division.

Everton P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. Tottenham 27 17 4 3 67 42 44

West Brom. 27 15 5 7 57 34 36 Wolves 27 17 0 10 64 42 34

Bradford 27 13 5 9 70 42 31 Burnley 27 14 3 10 54 40 31

Preston N.E. 27 13 5 9 58 57 31 Bury 27 13 0 9 61 43 30

Southampton 27 11 6 10 46 40 28 Oldham 28 11 5 12 40 48 27

Bradford C. 27 9 6 12 38 48 24 Charlton 27 9 6 12 38 56 24

Swansea 27 9 5 13 30 50 23 Plymouth 27 9 4 14 31 52 21

Bristol C. 27 8 4 14 49 01 22 Millwall 27 8 4 14 42 52 21

Barnsley 27 7 7 13 30 47 21 Notts. Forest 27 7 6 13 48 62 20

Reading 28 7 5 16 41 71 10 Cardiff 27 7 4 16 40 61 18

Third Division (North).

Lincoln P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts. Chesterfield 27 19 4 4 64 29 42

Tranmere 27 17 5 6 64 38 39 Wrexham 27 17 4 6 62 51 38

Hull 27 13 5 8 63 45 33 Carlisle 27 13 4 10 53 51 31

Wigan 27 14 3 10 63 55 31 Southport 26 13 4 9 63 40 30

Gateshead 26 10 8 28 44 26 Rochdale 27 8 7 12 58 80 23

Accrington 28 10 3 15 53 79 23 Darlington 27 9 4 14 42 52 21

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Rochdale 27 9 4 14 46 71 22 Harrow 28 9 4 15 42 60 22

Doncaster 27 9 3 15 51 62 21 New Brighton 28 8 7 13 42 47 31

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DRAW FOR DAVIS CUP CONTESTS.

TEAMS IN THREE ZONES MATCHED.

BRITAIN V. MONACO.

Paris, Feb. 4. The draw for the Davis Cup Competition took place here to-day and resulted as follows:

European Zone.

Belgium, bye.

Britain, Monaco

Germany, S. Africa.

Switzerland, Ireland

Japan, bye.

Jugo-Slavia, bye.

Egypt, bye.

Finland, bye.

Denmark, bye.

Rumania, bye.

Norway, bye.

Poland, bye.

Holland, bye.

Hungary, Italy

Greece, Austria

Czechoslovakia, Spain.

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United States, Mexico

Canada, bye.

South American Zone.

Paraguay, Argentina

Uruguay, bye.

Chile, Brazil.

CAPT. CAMPBELL'S TRIAL.

260 MILES AN HOUR RECORDED.

London, Feb. 4.

Captain Campbell estimated his speed at one point in the trial run yesterday on Daytona Beach at 260 miles an hour.

Owing to adverse conditions he did not make an official attempt on the world's speed record, but during an exhibition run he covered a measured mile at 194 miles an hour, coasting in neutral after the gear slipping. Measures to prevent a recurrence of this gear slip may further delay his making the official attempt on the record.—*British Wireless.*

[We are informed by Messrs. Robertson, Wilson and Co., Ltd., that Capt. Malcolm Campbell will be using Castrol oil. The Italian Air Squadron, which consisted of twelve seaplanes and which left Portuguese Guinea on the 6th. January, crossing the South Atlantic to Brazil, was also lubricated with Castrol oil.]

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.80 1/2	123.93 1/2
Geneva	25.14 1/2	25.10
Berlin	20.42 1/2	20.43
Oslo	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2	193
Athens	376	375
Buenos Aires	34.5/10	34 1/4
Shanghai	1/3	1/25
New York	4.85 1/2	4.85 31/32
Amsterdam	12.08 1/2	12.09 1/2
Stockholm	18.14	18.14 1/2
Vienna	34.54 1/2	34.64 1/2
Madrid	47.76	48
Bucharest	87 1/2	87 1/2
Montevideo	33 1/2	33 1/2
Hongkong	13 1/2	13 1/2
Brussels	34.83	34.83 1/2
Milan	92.77 1/2	92.81 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Prague	104 1/2	104 1/2
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Bombay	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Yokohama	2/0.13/10	2/0.13/10
Silver (spot)	12.18/10	12.7/10
(forward) 12 1/2	12.7/10	12.7/10

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CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY TEAM FOR SATURDAY.

The following have been selected to represent the University 1st XI in a League match against R.A., on Saturday, at 2 p.m., sharp on the Home ground: D. J. N. Anderson, A. Bakar, L. T. Ride, D. K. Samy, F. A. Redmond, A. B. Sultman, A. M. Rodriguez, A. T. Nomanbhoy, K. P. Gan, A. Chan Fook, A. S. A. Krum.

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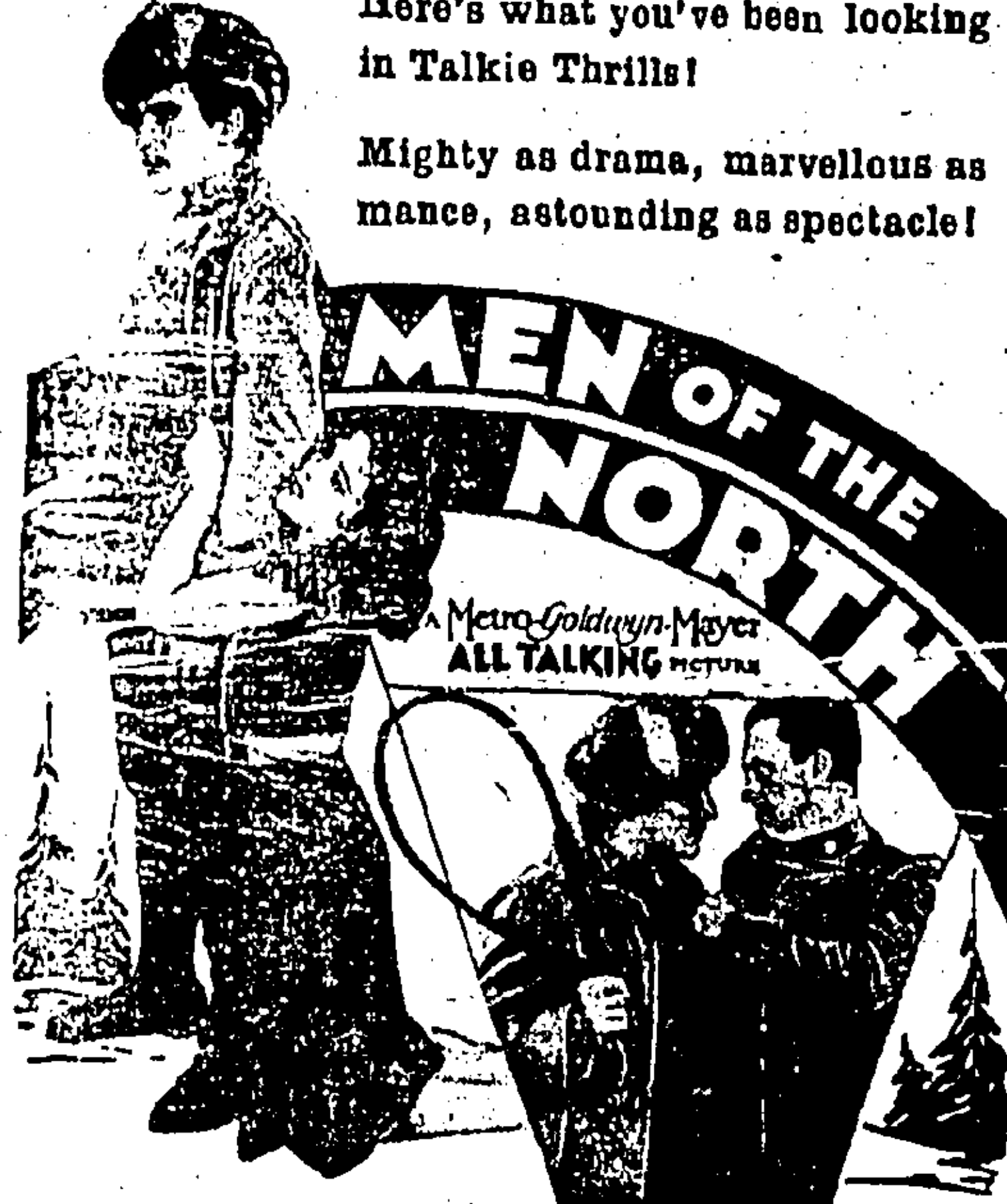
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